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New Connterfeit $\$ 5$ Treasury Note. Scrios 1880. Check Letter B.

## Secret Service Division,

Washingtou, D. C., Jan. 15, 1890.
SIR : A counterfeit $\$ 5$ U. S. Treasury note, Series 1880, Check letter B, Jackson vignette, large red seal ; W. S. Rosecrans, register ; James W. Hyatt, treasurer, has made its appearance in the East.

It is a very poor wood-cut production, paper soft and thin. The character of the note should be detected at a glance. The vignette of Jackson is a poor likeness and is very indistinct. In the historical scene only the outline of a dog is disernible, while in the genuine, the dog is very distinct. In the penalty act, on right end of back, the words, "Legal Tender," are printed in skeleton letters; they should be heavy shaded letters. The words, "Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Washington, D. C.," are reversed, beginning at the lower right hand end, instead of the upper left hand end. All the lathe work is very poor.

Respectfully yours, JOHN S. BELL, Chief.

A Rich Find.-The Ephemeris of Athens reports that a number of coffers containing 30,000 gold and silver Spanish pieces of the year 1666 have been hauled out of the sea near the island of Andros. Six bronze cannons were found near the coffers, and it is concluded that the whole came from the wreck of a Spanish man-of-war.

## The 1889 Dies Were Destroyed.

Under the heavy blows of a sledge hammer the impressions on 900 dies used at the United States Mint during the past year were destroyed and the metal was thrown into a scrap heap. The dies were first heated to a white temperature and then the destructive work began. It was superintended by Mr. Dooney, of the Coining Department, and O. B. Jones, representing Superintendent Bosbyshell.

One Cent Pieces are not much in favor in San Francisco. Few are in circulation there, and, it is said, that "those few are kept within about forty feet of the Post-Office. They go in at the stamp window at the rate of $\$ 3$ or $\$ 4$ a day. They are carried from there to the Money Order Department, where they are used in making change. They never get outside the Post-Office door, but immedlately find their way to the stamp window again."

## Assets of the U. S. Treasury, Jan. 1.

Gold coin and bullion 313 818,941.47
Oertificates outst'ing 122,985,889.00 Net gold on hand
Standard dols. \& bul. 293,190,040.30 Certificates outst'ing 282,949,073.00 Net silver

190,833,052.47

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$15,673,925 . \mathrm{J} 9$
ortificates outst'ing $9,000,000.00$
Net U.S. Notes..
Trade dol. bullion Nat'l Bank Notes Deposits in Nat'l Bk Depositaties
$10,240,987.30$
8,873,925.19
6,074,537.70
133,253.00
40,939,852.30
$\$ 254,895,587.99$

## CONGRESSIONAL

In the House the following bills were introduced and referred to Committees: 一

Mr. McRae, of Ark., introduced a bill (H. R. -) to prevent a contraction of the currency; also a bill (H. R. -) to repeal all laws providing for the accumulation of gold for the redemption of Treasury notes, and a bill (H. R. -) to provide for the free coinage of silver.

Mr. Townsend, of Colo., a bill (H. R.-) to provide for the free and unlimited coinage of the silver dollar. He also submitted a memorial from the Legislature of Colorado, asking for the free and unlimited coinage of silver and for a duty upon Mexican lead.

Mr. Stewart, of Ga., a bill (H. R. 一) to authorize national banks to take liens upon real estate for advances or loans of money.

Mr. Candler, of Ga., a bill (H. R. -) to provide for the free coinage of the standard silver dollar, and for other purposes?

Mr. Taylor, of Ills., a bill (H. R. -) to perpetuate the national banking system.

Mr. Hopkins, of Ills., a bill (H. R. -) to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States.

Mr. Shively, of Ind., a bill (H. R. -) providing for the unrestricted coinage of silver dollars.

Mr. Lacey, of Iowa, a bill (H. R. -) to prevent the contraction of the currency and to provide for the replacement of the national bank currency with United States notes, and to limit the amount of national bank circulation.

Mr. Anderson, of Kans., a bill (H. R. -) to provide for the issue of fractional currency.

Mr. Perkins, of Kans., a bill (H. R. -) to prevent contraction in the currency and to increase the circulation of silver and silver certificates.

Mr. Peters, of Kans., a bill (H. R. -) to provide for the deposit of gold or silver coin, or gold or silver bullion, as security for the circulating notes of national banks.

Mr. Dorsey, of Nebr., a bill to amend
section 5138 of the Revised Statutes relative to the organization of national banks. Also a bill (H. R. -) to provide for the issue of circulating notes to national banks.

Mr. Skinner, of N. C., a bill (H. R. -) to prescribe the weight of standard silver for certain coins of the United States, to enlarge the legal tender of the half-dollar, and permit the issue of silver certificates upon deposit of the same.

Mr. J. D. Taylor, of O., a bill (H. R. -) to authorize national banks in cities, towns and villages, whose population is less than 20,000 inhabitancs, to make loans to the extent of one-half of their capital and surplus upon mortgage of real estate, and providing that national banks whose capital does not exceed $\$ 150,000$ shall be entitled to receive circulating notes equal in amount to 90 per cent. of the market value of the bonds deposited as security therefor, and not less in amount than the par value thereof.
Mr, Maish, of Pa., a bill (H. R. -) to discontinue the coinage of the threecent pieces.

Mr. Culberson, of Texas, a bill (H. R. -) to prevent contraction of the currency. Also (H. R. -) to repeal the restriction upon the coinage of the silver dollar. Also (H. R. -) to repeal the proviso to section 12 of an act entitled "An act to enable national banking associations to extend their corporate existence, and for further purposes," approved July 12, 1882.
Mr. Lanham, of Tex., a bill (H. R. -) to amend section I of an act entitled "An act to authorize the coinage of the standard silver dollar and to restore its legal tender character and to provide for free coinage of standard silver dollars."
Mr. Stewart, of Tex., a bill (H. R. -) for the free coinage of silver and for other purposes.
Mr. Hare, of Tex., a bill (H. R. -) to repeal an act entitled "An act to enable national banking associations to extend their corporate existence, and for other purposes," approved July, 1882. Also (H. R. -) to provide for the increased coinage of silver, and for other purposes "

Mr. Lane, of Ills., a bill (H. R. 3817 ) to prevent a contraction of the currency. Also a bill (H. R. 3818) to lay a graduated income tax and to provide for the manner of collecting the same, and for other purposes."

Mr. Perkins, of Kans., a bill (H. R. 3843) to provide for the free coinage of both gold and silver and issuance of coin certificates to circulate as money.

Mr. Lodge, of Mass., a bill (H. R. 3860) to establish postal savings-banks.

Mr. Bland, of Mo., a bill (H. R. 3878) for the free coinage of silver, and for other purposes. Also a bill (H. R. 3879) to discontinue the coinage of the threecent piece.

Mr. Dockery, of Mo., a bill (H. R. 3880) limiting the coinage of doubleeagles, and discontinuing the coinage of certain other U.S. coins. Also a bill (H. R. 388 I ) for the further coinage of silver and for the redemption of nationalbank notes, and for other purposes.

Mr. Tracey, of N. Y., a bill (H. R. 3895) to amend section 3510 of the Revised Statutes, and to provide for new designs of authorized devices of U.S. coins.

Mr. Bingham, of Pa., a bill (H. R. 3910) authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to sell the present site of the mint at Philadelphia, Pa ., and to purchase a new site and to erect a new building at Philadelphia, Pa .

Mr. Adams, of Ills., a bill (H. R. 4558 ) in regard to the deposit of bonds by national banks as security for their circulating notes.

Mr. Anderson, of Kans., a bill (H. R. 4567) to prevent a contraction of currency by the withdrawal of nationalbank notes from circulation.

Mr. Dorsey, of Neb., a bill (H. R. 4594) to revise, amend and consolidate the laws relating to the issue and regulation of a national currency secured by United States bonds.

Secretary Windom is preparing a bill on silver coinage, embodying the views outlined in his annual report, and it will be introduced in the House.

## In the Semate.

Mr. George, of Miss., introduced a bill (S. I535) to subject to State taxation national-bank notes and United States Treasury notes.

Mr. Hoar, of Mass., a bill (S. I605) to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States.

Mr. Cullum, of Ills., a bill (S. 1655) authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to loan money to farmers of the United States at 2 per cent, per annum.

Mr. Harris, of Tenn., on behalf of the senior Senator from Ky. (Mr. Beck) and in his name, a bill (S. 1820) to suspend the operation of the Sinking-fund laws until the further order of Congress.

Mr. Sherman, a bill (S. 2059) to provide for a permanent national-bank circulation.

## National Bank Notes, Jan. 1, 1890.

Statement of the Comptroller of the Curr enc showing the amount of National Bank Notes outstanding, the amount of lawful money on deposit with the Trcasurer of U.S. to redecm National Bank Notes, and the kinds and amounts of U.S. Bonds on deposit to secure circulation and public deposits.
Additional issuedduring month
To new banks...................... $\begin{array}{r}\$ 354,280 \\ \text { To banks increasing circulation..... } \\ \hline 24,975\end{array}$
Total................. $\$ 379,255$
Surrendered and destroyed............... $\quad 2,791,772$
Decrease during month............... $2,412,51$ -
Decrease during 12 months............. $38,396,967$
*Total outstanding at date............. 197,078,918
Outstanding against bonds ........... 129,767,371
Amount of outstanding circulation
represented by lawful money on de-
posit with the Treasurer U. S. to re-
deem notes of insolvent and liqui-
dating banks, and banks retiring
circulation under acts of June 20th,
1874, and July 12th 1882.
Total lawful money on deposit.........
69,338,478
Decrease in deposits during month.... 766,841
Decrease in deposits during 12 months $17,786,819$

* Circulation of National Gold Banks
not included in the above.........
E. S. LACEY.

Comptroller of Currenc y

## U. S. Registered Bonds on Deposit.

To secure circulating notes, and to secure pub lic deposits.


## A NEW MINT.

A BILL PROVIDING FOR IT IS OFFERED IN CONGRESS.
E. O. Leech, Director of the Mint, came up from Washingtor lately to confer with Superintendent Bosbyshell, of the Philadelphia Mint, regarding the annual meeting of the Assay Commission, which will be held here about the middle of February.

Director Leech also informally discussed the plans for the additions to the Mint with Superintendent Bosbyshell, and in talking about the matter afterward he said: "About $\$ 200,000$ of the amount appropriated for the extension of the Mint is available, but we have requested that the appropriation be increased to $\$ 400,000$ in order that certain changes in thet plans which Supervising Architect Windrim has suggested may be carried out.

## DEFINITE STEPS TO BE TAKEN.

"Even with this amount of money the Mint could not be made what it ought to be, and General Bingham is going to introduce a bill providing for the sale of the present property, the purchase of a site elsewhere and the erection of a new and modern building. This is what ought to be done, and I don't believe there will be much opposition to the plan. There would be no difficulty whatever in disposing of the present property, and the proceeds would nearly pay for the erection of a new Mint in a more suitable location. I think the property would easily bring $\$ 1,000,000$, and a new Mint could be built for about $\$ 1,500,000$, I believe, exclusive of the cost of the site. Of course, the machinery now in use could be transferred to a new building and made use of as far as available.

## A NEW MINT TIIE ONLY REAEDY.

"The old Mint has been patched and altered and improved from time to time, but no amount of money will make it respectable or equal to the demands upon it. There ought to be a new Mint, as good a one as that in San Francisco, which is really the only first-class Mint
we have in the country. That is a fine granite building, and it cost about $\$ 5,000,000$, but it was built at a time when both labor and materials were high, and such an establishment could be built here for a much less amount."

The site of the Institute for the Deaf and Dumb, and Broad and Pine streets, which is soon to move to Germantown, is looked upon with favor, and it is believed that it could be secured for $\$ 500,000$ or 600,000.

## NATIONAL BANK CIRCULATION.

EX-COMPTROLLER KNOX'S SCLEME OF A SAFETY FUND AND SILNER BULLION
AS A BASIS.

Ex-Comptroller of the Currency Iohn Jay Knox, and President of the National Bank of the Republic of New York City, has prepared a bill to be introduced in Congress, a principle object of which is to provide for the use of silver bullion as a basis for national bank circulation.

The bill provides for the issue of bank circulation in amount not exceeding 75 per cent. of the capital of each bank, 70 per cent. of this circulation to secured by the deposit of United States bonds at par, gold coin or silver bullion at the market price. The other 30 per cent. is not to be secured by a deposit of each bank but by a safety deposit fund with the Treasurer of the United States. This surety fund is to be opened by crediting to it $\$ 1,500,000$ of lost or unredeemed national bank notes and the same amount of unredeemable United States notes.

Mr. Knox estimates that at the end of the next twenty years, or at the date of the payment of the 4 per cent. bonds in 1907 a safety fund would have accumulated of at least $\$ 25,000,000$, so that from that time onward a sufficient amount of national bank circulation would remain permanently in existence, well-secured by gold and silver bullion, and snfficiently profitable to make the circulation large enough in connection with the present amount of United States notes to respond to the demand of the business of the country. It would also give the
banks in the West as well as the East that have confidence in the future value of silver an opportunity to invest in that metal, and he believes that such investments would be made for the next three years equal, at least, to $\$ 20,000,000$ annually, and thus relieve the treasury from excessive purchases.

Henry M. Jackson, formerly assistant cashier of the Sub-Treasury in New York city, who fled some two years ago with $\$ 10,000$ of Government money, has been arrested by Secret Service officers in a hotel in Fourth avenue. He arrived recently from Scotland. He said he owed his downfall to his wife.

Coimage Exeuted at U. S. Mints, Duriug
Dec., 1889.


## Extracts from the 17th Annual Report of the Director of the Mint.

The total value of all the gold and silver recived at the mints and assay offices of the United States, during the fiscal year, 1889 , was $\$ 90,357,903.01$, of which $\$ 83$,$374,5870.5$ cousisted of original deposits, and $\$ 6,983,315.96$ of re-deposits.

The amount of gold deposited at the mints and assay offlces, during the year, exclusive of re-deposits, was $2,264,833.425$ standard ounces, of the coining value of \$42, 136,435.76.

Of the gold deposited, during the year, $\$ 31,440,778.93$ consisted of the product of mines of the United States, against $\$ 32,406,306.59$ deposited during the prior fiscal year, indicating a decline in the gold production of the country of about $\$ 1,000,000$.

Foreign gold bullion of the value of $\$ 2,136,516.66$ and foreign gold coin of the value of $\$ 4,447,475.99$, were deposited, a total of foreign gold of $\$ 6,593,992.65$, against $\$ 36,337,927.47$ in the preceding year, showing a falling off of nearly $\$ 30,000,000$ in the foreigu gold which found its way to the mints and assay offices of this country.

Of the silver received during the year, $32,895,985.50$ standard ounces, of the of the coining value of $\$ 38,278,964.79$, were classified as domestic production.

Foreign silver bullion, distinctively known as such, was deposited at the mints to the amount of $1,182,110.97$ standard ounces, of the coining value of $\$ 1,375,547.30$.

Foreign silver coins, containing 364,750.71 standard ounces, of the coining value of $\$ 424,437$ 18, were also deposited and melted.

Silver coins of the United States, consisting principally of worn and uncurrent subsidiary coins received by the Treasury and transferred to the mint at Philadelphia for recoinage, were melted during the year, and contained 431,449.01 standard ounces, of the coining value of $\$ 502,049.75$.

In addition, trade dollars, containing 6,714.25 standard ounces, of the coining value of $\$ 7,812.94$, were deposited as bullion and melted during the year.

## COINAGE.

The coinage executed at the three coinage mints in operation during the year, viz, at Philadelphia, San Francisco and New Orleans, consisted of $\$ 60,985,929.61$, etc. (See page 44 of the Detector.)

## MEDALS AND DIES MANUFACTURED.

Under the above provisions of law, 1,020 dies were made in the engraving department of the mint at Philadelphia, during the fiscal year, of which 1,018 were coinage dies.

The medals sold during the year numbered 1,004 , realizing $\$ 6,141.35$; proof set of the coinage of the calendar years 1888 and 1889 were sold, to the nu mber of 2,863 realizing $\$ 3,179.08$, and single pieces of the same years' coinage were sold, to the number of 1,397 , realizing $\$ 2,799.25$.

The profit on the sale of medals and proof coins was $\$ 2,037.66$.

## GOLD BARS EXCIIANGED FOR GOLD COIN.

Under the provisions of the act of May 26, 1882, gold bars were exchanged for go!d coin, during the fiscal year, free of charge, of the value of $\$ 602,293.01$, at the mint at Philadeldhia, and $\uparrow 56,905,519.41$, at the assay office at New York, a total of $\$ 57,507,812.42$, against $\$ 15,846,986.25$ in the preceding year, indicating a largely increased demand of gold bars for export.

## PURCHASE OF SILVER FOR THE COINAGE OF THE SILVER DOLLAR.

During the fiscal year ended June 30,1889 , the purchase of silver for the silver dollar coinage, as well as the coinage of the same, was confined to the mints at Philadelphia and New Orleans, with the exception, that the superintendents of the mints at San Francisco and Carson, were allowed to purchase the silver contained in gold deposits, and the silver obtained in bar fractions.

There were delivered during the year on purchases made for the silver-dollar coinage, through the Bureau of the Mint, by the Secretary of the Treasury, 28,557,109.79 ounces of standard silver, costing $\$ 23,998,763.47$, an average cost of $\$ 0.84037$ per ounce standard, or $\$ 0.93375$ per ounce fine.

## COURSE OF SILVER.

The price of silver in London at the commencement of the fiscal year, was $42 \frac{1}{3}$ pence per ounce, British standard (. 925 fine).

The average price of silver in London during the fiscal year 1889 was 42.5 pence, equivalent at the average rate for sight sterling exchange, to $\$ 0.935$, and at the par of exchange, to $\$ 0.9316$ per fine ounce.

## SEIGNORAGE ON SILVER.

The profit on the coinage of silver dollars during the fiscal year 1889, amounted to $\$ 9,370,062.20$, and on subsidiary silver coins $\$ 32,987.65$, a total of $\$ 9,403,049.85$.

The seignorace on the coinage of silver from July 1, 1878, to June 30 1889, has amounted to $\$ 56,939,730.57$. Adding to this the balance of silver profits in the coinage mints July 1, 1878 (the beginning of the fiscal year following the passage of the act authorizing the coinage of the silver dollar), namely. $\$ 124.725 .47$, and $\$ 9,237.54$ refunded by Adams Express Company for overcharges in bills for shipping silver dollars ; and the additional sum of $\$ 4,560.30$, arising from surplus silver recovered and the adjustment of silver values, not strictly a profit on the silver coinage but carried to the credit of the silver-profit fund, we have total gross silver profits to be accounted for of $\$ 57,378,254.18$.

## APPROPRIATIONB AND EXPENDITURES.

The amount appropriated for the support of the mints and assay office for thefiscal year ended Junc 30,1889 , was $\$ 1,095,650$, of which there was expended $\$ 994$,989.71 , leaving in the Treasury $\$ 100,66020$.

In addition to the amount expended from current appropriatious, the sum of $\$ 116.60$ was expended from an unexpended balance of the appropriation for the renewal of the steam power plant of the mint at Philadelphia.

There were also expended, at the coinage mints, from the general appropriation contained in the act of February 28, 1878, authorizing the coinage of the standard silver dolllars, $\$ 228,225.05$.

The total amount expended at the mints and assay offices, during the year, was \$1,218,331.46.

There was paid at the Treasury Department, from the appropriation for the coinage of the standard silver dollar, the sum of $\$ 930$, for daily cablegrams from London givive the price of silver, making the total expenditures for the services of the mints and assay offices during the ycar $\$ 1,219,261.36$.

The expenditures, exclusive of the amount paid at the Treasury for cablegrams are eqhibited in the following:

Salaries, $\$ 201,168.29$; wages, $\$ 614,107.73$; contingent, $178,213.69$; repairs of buildings, $\$ 1,616.60$; coinage of standard silver dollars, $\$ 223,225.05$; total, $\$ 1,218,331.36$,

GOLD AND SILVER PRODUCT OF THE UNITED STATES FROM 1885 TO 1888 , ALSO
WORLD'S PRODUCTION AND WORLD'S COINAGE.

| Calendar Years. | United States. |  | W orld's Production. |  | World's Coinage. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Gold. | Sllver | Gold. | Silver. | Gold. | Silver. |
| 1885. | \$ 31,800,000 | \$51,600,000 | \$102,578,000 | \$138,000 000 | \$ 95,757,582 | \$126,784,574 |
|  | 35,000,000 | 51,000.000 | 107.133,000 | 138,500,000 | 94,642,070 | 124,854,101 |
|  | 33,000,000 | 53,350 000 | 106,314.000 | 148,000,000 | 124,992,465 | 163,411,397 |
|  | 33,175,000 | 59,195,000 | $108 \times 267.000$ | 155,500,000 | 134,720,639 | 149,737,442 |

The value of the sllver is its coining value.

## Coinages of Nations-Calendar Years.

| Conntries. | 1888. |  | Countries. | 1888. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Gold. | Silver. |  | Gold. | Silver. |
| United States... | \$31,380,808 | \$33,025, 606 | Siam |  |  |
| Mexico......... | 300,480 | 26,658,964 | Erypt | 257,154 | 8,483 |
| Great Britain. | 9,893,375 | 3,881,886 | Japan | §974,335 | §10,222,108 |
| Australia. | 24, 115,230 |  | Hayti. |  |  |
| India*. |  | §51,112,230 | $\mathrm{Cl}_{3} \mathrm{ll}$. | 42,170 | 122,375 |
| Canada |  | 247,174. | Argentine Rep | 8,310,325 |  |
| France........ | 106,949 | 1,112,379 | Pcru. |  | 3,258,000 |
| Cochin-China |  | 1,100,518 | Colombia |  | 600,443 |
| Monaco. |  |  | Vencruela | 680,500 | 272,000 |
| Belsium |  |  | Guatemala |  |  |
| Italy....... | 469,750 |  | Brazll | 20,082 | 883,555 |
| Switzerland | 16,984 |  | Honduras |  |  |
| Spain |  | 4436804 | rongo |  |  |
| Portugal | 102600 | 1,533,600 | Nicaragua |  |  |
| Netherlands | 143051 |  | Straits Scttleme |  | 244,000 |
| Germany. | 34,340,722 | 989,127 | Ecuador. |  | 473,177 |
| Austria-Hungery | 2,747,633 | 5,516,190 | Hong-Kong |  | 1,105,000 |
| Norway |  | 53,600 | Costa Rica. |  |  |
| Sweden.. |  | 16,714 | Bolivia.. |  | 1,763,452 |
| Denmark |  | 62,483 |  | 131 -80 |  |
| Russia $\dagger$ | $20,460,491$ 68,000 | $\begin{array}{r} 1,163,126 \\ 74,448 \end{array}$ | Total | 134,720,639 | 149,737 442 |

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## PROPOSED LEGISLATION.

I have the honor to recommend that legislation looking towards the discontinuance of the coinage of the 3 -dollar and 1-dollar gold pieces and the 3 -cent nickel piece be requested of Congress.

With regard to the 3 -dollar gold piece, it may be said that that denomination of of coin serves no useful purpose, and that its present coinage is limited to a few proof coins sold at a profit by the Mint, to meet the demands of numismatic societies and coin collectors. There is no demand for it by the business public.

The same objections apply to the 1-dollar gold piece, with the additional ones that it is too small for circulation, and that the few pieces issued annually from the Mint are used almost exclusively for the purpose of ornament.

So long as statutory authority exists to coin this latter denomination, the suspension of its coinage by the Secretary of the Treasury is of doubtful legality. The most he has ever felt warranted in doing was to limitits coinage to pressing demands about the holiday season, and to maintain, unbroken, the series of coin sets sold by the mint. The very limitation of its coinage leads to favoritism in the distribution of the few pieces struck annually, and to speculation in them.

The 3-cent nickel piece is open to the more important objection that it has so nearly the size and appearance of the 10 -cent silver piece that it is frequently mistaken for it much to the annoyance of the publie, who receive it reluctantly.

It is further recommended that any act whieh may provide for the discontinuance of the coinage of these pieces, authorize their withdrawal from cireulation as fast as received in the Treasnry, and their recoinage into other denominations.

I am, very respectfully, yours,

EDWARD O. LEECH, Director of the Mint.

## Hon. WILLIAM WINDOM, Secretary of the Treasury.

## Report of the Comptroller of the Currency.

This report covers the year ended October 31, 1889, at which time there were in existence 3,319 going national banks, the largest number since the inauguration of of the system, and with araggregate capital of $620,174,365$. Within the year 211 new banks were organized. Out of 4148 national banks organized since 1863 , only 130 of them have been placed in the hands of receivers, the other 700 Went into liquidation. Of the 130 failed banks, 30 paid ereditors in full, both principal and interest, 6 of them paid prineipal and part of the interest, and 13 paid principal only. 36 of of the banks are in proeess of settlement, of whieh 8 are virtually elosed, with the exception of pending litigation, leaving 28 receiverships in active operation. Only 2 of the banks failed during past year, California National Bank of San Franeiseo, and the First National Bank of Anoka, Minn. The 11 national banks that have not availed themselves of the privilege of taking ont circulating notes. or else surrendered their entire cireulation are: The Chemical, the National City, the American Exehange, the Meehanics', the National Park and the Merehants' National Bank, all of New York City, Their respective eapitals are $\$ 300,000, \$ 1,000,000, \$ 5,000,000$, $\$ 2000,000, \$ 2,000,000$ and $\$ 2,000.000$. The other 5 banks are the National Bank, of Washington, D. C.; the Chestertown Natlonal Bank, of Chestertown, Md.; the First National Bank of Houstou, Tex.; the Metropolitan National Bank of Washington, D. C.. and the First National Bank of Butte, Mont. Their respective capitals are $\$ 200,000, \$ 50,000, \$ 100,0 C 0, \$ 300,000$ and $\$ 100,000$.

In coneluding the report the Comptroller says that he has purposely avoided the discussion of the various plans which have been suggested for substituting other securities for United States bonds as a basis for circulation, and has confined himself to the presentation of those changes in the law which will be generally aceepted as practicable, and which will be imost likely to meet favorable consideration by Congress.
. In the opinion of the Comptroller, the laws governing national banks should be so amended as to producic the following modifications :

1. The minimum deposit of bonds to secure circulation should befixed at $10{ }^{\circ}$ per centum of capital in respect to all associations having a capital of $\$ 300,000$ or less, and for all banks having a greater capital a minimum deposit of $\$ 30,000$ in bonds should be required.
2. Circulation should be issued to the par value of the bonds deposited.
3. S $\in$ mi-annual duty on circulation should be so reduced as to equal onc-fourth of one per cent. per annum,

It is held that these changes in the law would do little more than save the national banks from loss on account of circulation if the present premium on United States bonds is maintained.

The expenses of the office of the Comptroller of the Currency for the year ended June 30, 1889, were, for special dies, plates, printing, etc., $\Phi 41,632.80$; for salaries, $\$ 101,547 . \hat{£} 2$; for salaries, reimbursible by nat ional bank, $\$ 15,038.85$.

There are no national gold banks now in existence and the lawful money on deposit with the Te easurer, amounting to $\$ 156,652$, represents the remaining outstanding cireulation of these banks. These notes are in denominations of fives, tens, twenties, fifties, one hundreds and five hundreds.

The notes outstanding of the national banks are in denomination of ones, twos, fives, tens, twenties, fifties, one hundreds, fivo haudreds and one thousands.

On September 30, 1889, there were 3, 290 national bauks, with the total resources of $\$ 2,998,290,645.90$. Their liabilities were, eapital stock, $\$ 612,584,095$; surplus fund, $\$ 197.394,760.55$; undivided prefits, $\$ 84,866,869.13$; national bank eireulation, $\$ 128,450,600$; state bank cireulation, $\$ 80,410.50$; dividends uupaid, $\$ 3,600,054.96$; individual deposits, $\$ 1,475,467,560.37$ and other liabilities to then equal the total $r^{\text {esources. }}$

## CIRCULAR.

# ISSUE AND REDEMPTION OF CURRENCY. 

1889. 

Department No. 73.
Treasurer's Office, No. 57.

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

washington, D. C., july 11, 1889.

The following regulations govern the issue and redemption of the paper eurrency and the gold, silver, and minor eoins of the United States and the redemption of national-bank notes by the Treasurer of the United States:
I.-Issue of Cnited States Puper Currency.

1. The Treasurer will forward new United States notes by express, at the expense of the eonsignee, at Goverument contract rates, or by registered mail, registration free, at the risk of the eonsignee, in return for United States notes unfit for eireulation, national-bank notes, fractional silver coin, or minor ecin.
2. Gold certificates are issued upon a deposit of gold eoin with the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer, in denominations of not less than $\$ 20$.
3. Silver certificates are issued by the Treasurer or Assistant Treasurers, upon a deposit of standard silver dollars, in sueh denominations as may be available.
II.-Issue of Gold Coin.
4. Upon receiving an origimal certifieate of the Assistant Treasurer in New York for a deposit of $\$ 100$ or any multiple of $\$ 100 \mathrm{in}$ United States notes, the Treasurer will eause a like amount in gold eoin to be sent from the Mint at Philadelphia, at the consignce's expense.

## III.-Issue of Standard Silcer Dollars and Fractional Silver Coin.

5. Upon the deposit of an equivalent sum of gold coin, United States notes, gold certifieates, silver certificates, or uational-bank notes with the Treasurer or any Assistant Treasurer or national-bank depositary, standara silver dollars or fraetional silver coin will be paid in any amount by the Treasurer or the Assistant Treasurers in the cities where their several offices are, or will be sent, separately or mixed, in sums or multiples of $\$ 500$, at the expense of the Government, from the most convenient Treasury office, to the order of the depositor. For this purpose deposits may be made with the Assistant Treasurer in Now York by drafts payable to his order and collectible through the elearing-house.
6. Standard silver dollars in packages of $\$ 65$, and fractional silver coin in packages of $\$ 70$ of one denomination, will be forwarded by registered mail, registration free, at the risk of the party to whom sent, by the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer.

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7. Minor Coin is issued under the following regulations of the Director of the Mint:

Five-cent nickel pieees and one-cent bronze pieces will be forwarded in the order of applieation from the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pa , to points reached by express companies, free of transportation eharges, in sums of $\$ 20$ or multiples thereof, upon reeeipt and collection by the Superintendent of that Mint of a draft on New York or Philadelphia, payable to his order. To points not reaehed by express companies and where delivery under contract with the Government is thus impraeticable, the above coin ean, on the same terms, be sent by registered mail at applicant's risk, registry fee on same to be paid by the Government. Orders for transportation at risk of applieant should express aceeptance of the risk.
8. The Treasurer and Assistant Treasurers will pay out for lawful money any minor eoin not needed in the current business of their offices.
V.-Issue of the Treasurer's Transfer-Checks.
9. Subject to the eonvenience of the Treasury, the Treasurer will issue transfercheeks on the Assistant Treasurers, payable to the order of the sonder or his correspondent, for United States notes unfit for circulation or national bank notes sent to the Treasurer for redemption, or for fractional silver coin or minor coin sent in multiples of $\$ 20$ to the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer.

## V1.-Redemption of United States Paper Currency.

10 United States notes, fractional curreney notes, gold eertifieates, and silver certifieates are redeemable by the Treasurer, and when not mutilated so that less than three-fifths of the original proportions remains, by the several Assistant Treasurers, at face value United States notes are redeemable in eoin, in sums not less than $\$ 50$, by the Assistant Treasurers in New York and San Francisco. Silver eertifieates are redeemable in standard silver dollars only, or exchangeable for other silver certifieates.
11. United States notes, fractional curreney notes, gold certifieates, and silver certifieates, when mutilated so that less than three-fifths, but clearly more than twofifths, of the original proportions remains, are redeemable by the Treasurer ouly, at one-half the face value of the whole note or certificate. Fragments not elearly more than two-fifths are not redeemed, unless accompanied by the evidence required in paragraph 12.
12. Fragments less than three-fifths are redeemed at the face value of the whole note when accompanied by an affidavit of the owner or other persons having knowledge of the facts that the missing portions have been totally destroyed. The affidavit must state the cause and manner of the mutilation, and must be sworn to and subseribed before an officer qualified to administer oaths, who must affix his official seal thereto, and the character of the affiant must be certified to be good by such officer or some other having an official seal. Signatures by mark [X] must be witnessed by two persons whocan write, and who must give their places of residence. The Treasurer will exercise such diseretion under this regulation as may seem to him needful to proteet the United States from fraud. Fragments not redeemable are rejected and returned.

## VII.-Redemption of National-Bank Notes.

13. National-bank notes are redeemable by the Treasurer in sums of $\$ 1,000$ or any multiple thereof.
14. Notes equaling or exceeding three-fifths of their original proportions and bearing the name of the bank and the signature of one of its offieers, are redeemable at their face value.
15. Nutes of which less than three fifths remains, or from which both signatures are laeking, are not redeemed by the Treasurer, but should be presented for redemption to the bank of issue. Fragments less than three-fifths are accepted from the bank of issuc for face value by the Treasurer only when aceompanied by evidence, as required by paragraph 12 , that the missing portions have been totally destroyed.
16. Frarments redeemed by the bank of issue for less than face value are aceepted by the T'reasurer only when their valuation is equal to the face value of a note of some denomination issued by the bank or some multiple thercof. The required valuation may be made up of several fragments of notes of the same or different denominations, provided the total valuation of the fragments of each denomination be one dollar or some multiple thereof. Fragments not elearly more than two-fifths are acceptable only when aecompanied by evidence, as required by paragraph 12 , that the missing portions have been totally destroyed.
17. It having been deeided that national-bank notes stolen when unsigned, and put in circulation with forged signatures, are not obligatory promissory notes of the banks under Section 5182 of the Revised Statutes, they are not redeemed by the Treasurer.

## VIII.-Redemption of Fractional Silver Coin and Minor Coin.

18. Fractional silver coin and coins of copper, bronze, or copper-nickel may be presented in sums or multiples of $\$ 20$, assorted by denominations in separate packages, to the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurcr for redemption or exehange into lawful money. When forwarded by express the charges shonld be prepaid.
19. No foreign or mutilated silver coin will be redeemed. Reduction by natural abrasion is not considered mutilation.
20. Minor eoin that is so defaced as not to be readily identified, or that is punehed or elipped, will not be redeemed or exehanged. Pieces that are staniped, bent, or twisted out of shape, or otherwise imperfeet, but showing no material loss of metal, will be redeomed.

## IX.-Transmission to the Treasurer.

21. United States notes, gold certifieates, silver certifieates, and mational-bank notes should be forwarded in separate remittanees. The notes should be assorted by denominations and inclosed in paper straps, not more than 100 notes to eaeh strap,
and the straps sloould be marked with the amount of thcir contents. Not more than 8,000 notes should be put in one package.
22. An inventory, giving the amount of each denomination of notes, the total anount in the package, the address of the party sending, and the disposition to be made of the proceeds, should be inclosed with each package, and a letter of advice sent by mail.
23. The package, if it be sent by express, should be sealed up in stout maper and addrossed to the "Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C." The wrapper should be plainly marked with the owner's name and address, and the amount and kind of currency inelosed.
24. It is the duty of postmasters to register free of charge all letters on which the postage has been fully prepaid, addressed to the Treasurcr, containing eurreney of the United States for redemption. It is recommended that all such letters be registered as a protection against loss.
25. Remittances of money by mail should be addressed to the "Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C." Such remittances and returns therefor by mail are invariably at the risk of the owncrs. All communications to the Treasurer in regard to packages lost in the mail are referred for investigation to the Chief PostOffiee Inspector, Post-Office Department, Washington, D. C., to whom any subsequent inquiry on the subject should be addressed.

## X.-Express Charges.

26. The Government contract with the United States Express Company for the transportation of moneys and securities extends to all points accessible through established express lines reached by continuous railway communication, but does not embrace sea or river transportation of any kind, and does not extend westward beyond the Missouri River, but includes the States of Missouri, Arkansas and Texas.
27. The contract rates for the transportation of all kinds of paper currency to or from Washington are-

Between Washington and points in the territory of the United States Express Company and reached by it, 15 cents per $\$ 1,000$; sums of $\$ 500$ or less, 10 cents.

Between Washington and points in the territory of another express, excepting points in Texas and Arkansas, 50 cents per $\$ 1,000$; sums of $\$ 500$ or less, 30 cents.

Between Washington and points in Texas and Arkansas, 75 cents per \$1,000; sum: of $\$ 500$ or less, 50 cents.
28. Express-eharges are paid by the Government, at contract rates, on standard silver dollars and fractional silver coin sent by the mints, the Treasurer, or the Assistant Treasurers, in sums or multiples of $\$ 500$, on minor coin sent from the Mint at Philadelphia in sums or multiples of $\$ 20$, and on national-bank notes sent to the Treasurer for redemption in sums or multiples of $\$ 1,000$.
29. On United States notes, gold certificates, or silver certificates sent for redemption or for credit of the 5 per-cent. redemption fund, and on national-bank notes sent for redemption in other amounts than multiples of $\$ 1,000$, the eharges, if not prepaid are deducted from the proceeds at contract rates.
30. On United States notes, gold certifieates, or silver certifieates returned for United States eurrency or national-bank notes redeemed, the charges are deducted at contract rates.
31. On gold coin sent from the Mint on orders from the Tre surer in return for deposits with the Assistant Treasurer in New York the charges are deducted at contract rates.
32. On fractional silver coin and minor coin sent for redemption the charges must be prepaid by the sender.
33. On transfers of funds from national-bank depositaries, under letters of instruction, the charges must be paid by the depositaries.
34. The Treasurer has no control over rates exacted when the charges are prepaid, or for transportation outside of the territorial limits of the contract.
$3 \overline{5}$. No eharge is made for the amount of express-charges inclosed with a remit tance of even thousauds of dollars, when separately noted on the wrapper. Packages should always be marked with the exact amount of the contents.

> XI.-General Information.
36. Assistant Treasurers else where than in New York are not authorized to receive drafts of banks and bankers.
37. Paper currency presented for redemption or exchauge or for credit of the Treasurer at the offices of the Assistant Treasurers must be assorted by kinds, and inclosed in paper straps, the straps not to contain more than 100 notes each, and to be plainly marked with the amount of the contents.
33. The act of June 30, 1876 (19 Stats., 64), requires "that all United States nfficers charged with the receipt or disbursement of public moneys, and all officers of national banks, shall stamp or write in plain letters the word 'counterfeit,' 'al. tered,' or 'worthless' upon all fraudulent notes issued in the form of and intended to circulate as money which shall be presented at their places of business; and if such officers shall wrongfully stamp any genuine note of the United States or of the national banks, they shall, upon presentation, redeem such notes at the face value chereof."
39. In case of the loss or destruction of one of the Treasurer's checks, and upon application for a duplicate, payment of the original check is stopped, and the applicant is furnished with a forn of bond of indemnity, upon return of which, properly executed, a duplicate is issued.

Compliance with the foregoing regulations is enjoined on all officers of the Department, and observance of them will be expected of all making remittances to this office.
J. N. HUSTON,

Treasurer U. S.
Approved:
WILLIAM WINDOM, Secretary of the Treasury.

## New Values of Foreign Coins.

The Director of the Mint has made a new estimate of the gold values of the Standard coins of the various nations of the world, and the Secretary of the Treasury has proclaimed the same, as the values of such coins expressed in the money of account of the United States. The same is to be used at the Custom Houses and to be followed after Jan. I, 1890, in estimating the value of all foreign merchandise expressed in any of said metallic currencies. The following shows the the changes made in the old Circular of a year ago, and the changes are only in the moneys of those nations that are on a silver basis.

The florin of Austria is changed from $-33,6$ to $\cdot 34,5$. The unit of Bolivia, all the Central American States, Columbia, Ecuador and Peru is changed from .68 to $.69,8$. The rupee of India from $\cdot 32,3$ to $-33,2$. The dollar of Mexico from .73.9 to $.75,8$. The rouble of Russia from $.54,4$ to $\cdot 55,8$. The mahbub of Tripoli from $.61,4$ to $.62,9$, and the bolivar of Venezuela from . 13,6 to .I4.

The following have also, for the first time, been included in the circular. Dollar of Newfoundland value 101,4 , Shanghai tael of China value $1.03,1$ and Haikwan (Customs) tael I.I4,8.

## NEW YORK STATE BANKS.

Iwenty-two Orognized, with a Crapital of \$2,675,000 During the Past Year.

The report of the Superintendent of the State Banking Department at Albany, N. Y., says that the net increase in banking capital during the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, I889, was $\$ 2,620,000$. The capital of the banks organized during the year aggregated $\$ 2,675,000$; that of the banks which closed during the year amounted to $\$ 255,000$. The increases in the capital of banks previously organized were $\$ 300,000$, and the decreases $\$ 100,-$ 000 . Twenty two new banks were authorized to do business during the year, with a total capitalization of $\$ 2,675,000$. Ten of these, with a capital of $\$ 1,500,-$ ooo, are located in New York city and Brooklyn, the other twelve being outside the two great cities in various parts of the State. Three of the twenty-two, the Bowery Bank of New York city, the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Buffalo, and the Bank of Le Roy, Le Roy, were converted from the national system. This equals the whole number organized during' the year under the national system ir this State.

## Welghts and measurbe.

THE NATIONAI, PROTOTYPES ALLOTTED TO

## THE UNITED STATES

Wabuington, Jan. 2.-The National Prototypes allotiod to the United States at the International Convention of Welghts and Measures, in Paris, in Soptember last, were formally received and accepted by the President this afternoon, in tile presence of a distinguisiod company of representative and selentifie men. They were brought from Paris in two boxes, caretully sealed and marked, and have beon viligantly guarded from the moinent of their manufaeture. Tife boxes were opoaed to-day by a mechanician from the United States Coast Survey,

Professor Mendenhali, Superintendent of the Coast Survey, inas furnished the iollowing memorandum in regard to these prototypes:
In the early days of our Kepublie the subject of welgits and moasures received the earnest consideration oi the men at tise head of affairs.

Wastington urged on Congress the neeessity of suitabie lexislation; Jefferson and Join Quincy Adums grve the subject much study, and the latter believed that his future famo wouid rest chicfly on his report on weights and measures,

## OUR TROY POUND.

It was in Presidont Adams's time that the troy pound of the Mint, according to whleh the weight oi our college 18 regulated, was procured from England by Albort Guliatin, our representative at the court of St, James. After having been adjusted to the British Imperial standard of 1758 by Captain Kater, the troy pound was seaied in its case and entrusted to the care of a speclal messenger who delivered it to the director of the Mint at Pililadeipeia. It was afterwards, October 12,1827 , opened in the presence of the President, John Quincy Adams, wino examined the seais and signed an eiaborate doeument certitying the authenticity of the weight.
This standard is the oniy United States standard specitically made such by act of Congress and it is now in tho keeping of the Philadeiphia Mint. As is well known, our customary measures came down to us by falieritance from Engiand, and they therefore conform to the standards in uie in England durlng our colonial times, and in the early days they couformed also to the diversity which prevalied among the Engilsi standards, for no two measures, apparentiy, could be found in the United States which were alike, an intolorabie state of afiairs, in consequence of which the Seeretary of the Treasury in 1850 was directed to have a comparison of customary Weights and measures instituted at the Uoast Survey office. The work was entrustod to Superintendent Hassler, and sineo his day the Superintendents of the Cloast Survey and Geodetic Survey have also been superintendents of weights and measures.

## OUR ENGZISH STANDARDS.

Among the standards deposited at the Coast and Geodetio Survey Offlee there are several of historical interest, and not a few whieh show by contrast with the new prototype the progress of meterology.

Among the earlier English standards is a yard and ell bed plate and a brass yard, made for the United States in 1822 and cortlfied to conform to the Exchequer Yard of England. Such certifi. eates, judged by the stamap, were worth apparently $£ 3$ 8s., exelusive of official fees, but aetually not quite so much, since a competent judge, who saw the exchequer standard, said of it, in 1836 , that "a common kitchen poker, filed at both ends, would make as good a standaru."

The actual United states standariof eustomary length measure is the Iroughtom 8cale. It is of somewhat earlier date than the Jones yarls, havink been brought to this commery by liassier, in 1815, ior the use of the survey of the coast.
There are aiso on deposit two yards, one oi iron and one of bron\%e, willeh, togetil $r$ with an avolrdupois lound, were constructed under the direction of the committee of 1843 , which was apjointed by Parliament to eonstruct new standards after the burning of the Houses of Pariainent, in whiell the older English standards were destroyed. The copies spoken of were presented to this Government by Great Britaln in 1866.

OUR FRKNCH STANDARDE.
Among the historical standards, which wo owe to Hassler, wio brought them to thls eountry in 1806, is the tolse of Canivet, slandarded in 1768.

Tive ccmmitteo ineter, an iron bar, which was one of the original meters used by the French committee, as an intermediary to dcrive the meter from the toise.

A kilogram also made by the Frencli committee.

There is also a piatinum metre and iilogram, proeured by Aibert fiailatin, and eompared by Arago, in 1821, but the means available in his day lor making aecurate comparisons, wero not comparabio to those now used.
The first metric measures received by this Government were a copper metor and a cubieal kliogram, sent over by the Freneh Revolutionary Committeo of Safoty, of whieh Robespierre was a member.

Those inessures antendated the construction of the meter oi the arcilives, and were merely provislonal and intended to lilustrate the merits of ilie system, whieh it was hoped might become internationai. And now, after the lapse of nearly a century, the civilized governments of the world are recelving standards based on the system for whlch such High hopes were entertained by its. originators:

THE INTERNATIONAL BTANDARDS.
These ncw standards were constructed by the co-operation of the principai governments of the world. Their history, in brief, is as filiows:
In 1889 the French Government invited other nations to send dolexates to Paris for the purpose oi iorming an International Commisslon, ior the construction of a new meter, for an International standard of length. The invliation was accepted, and our Governmont appointed Professors Henry and Hiigard as delegates.
In 1875 a treaty was signed at Paxis for the estabiishment of an Internitional Bureau of Weights and Measures. The bureau was established and put uuder the administrative direction of delegates from the variouscountries concerned. A large staff of iearned men was omployed 10 study the methods for carrying out practically the thcorotical requiremenis agreed upon as necessary by the delegates.
The difficulties encountered wereail surmounted and the work was earried to a successful completion. The standards ordered by the various governments were distributed by lot last September.

One set oi the standards set apart as the international prototypes is kept in a cave at the International Bureau. The object of putting them in a eave is to secure them againstaccident or sudden or great changes of temperature, as it is deemed possible that permanent ehanges in the molecular structure or the materlals of the standards may be brought about by such fluvtuations of temperature.

No single person has access to the lnternational prototypes! the cave is locked by three different keys in the hands of as many individuals, and every coneeivable preeaution has been taken to keep them invoilabie.

The standards distributed to the various governments are called national prototypes, and the same care will be taken to preserve them unaltcred as is deemed necessary for the international standards.

## Counterfeits of $\$ 1$ National Bank Bills.

## DESCRIPTION OF GENUINE BILL.

FACE OF NOTE.-Two females standing in front of an Altar, one of them pointing upward-1-large ornamental, 1 across, on which is "Secured, \&c." OACK OF NOTE.-Landing of Pilgrims-ONE, eagle and shield in an oval, ONE-ONE, Arms of the State in which the bank is located-ONE.

The Treasury number of each One Dollar National Bank Bill is at the left end of the face, the Bank's number at the upper right-hand corner, and the charter number is in larger figures across the left endand lengthwise at the right end.

## Description of Counterfeits of $\$ 1$ National Bank Bills.



John Allison, Register; A. U. Wyman, Treasurer.
Treasury No. 211,944. Bank No. 3,640. Old process photograph. This photograph 18 the only counterfeit of the One Dollar Bills of the National Banks. Having been done on good paper, the black work fairly reproduced, though the red numbering is inferior, it is in some respects the best early photographic counterfelt, yet not dangerous, being blurred in spots and off color. See page 20.

## Counterfeits of \$2 National Bank Bills.

## DESCRIPTION OF GENUINE BILL.

FAOE OF NOTE-Large 2 extending two-thirds the length of the note, "United States, etc.," on upper part, and 2 on lower part of the 2. Left end, female seated holding the American flag, on which is a wreath.
$B A C K \quad O F N O T E$.-Sir Walter Raleigh smoking, six men and boy grouped around a table-2, eagle and shield in an oval-2, Arms of the State in which the bank is located.

The Treasury number of each Two Dollar National Bank Bill is at the lower teft-hand corner of the face, the Bank's number at the upper right-hand corner, and the charter number is in larger figures across the left end and lengthwise at the right end.

## Description of Counterfeits of $\$ 2$ National Bank Bills. \$2 SPECIAL POINTS.



## Counterfeits of \$5 National Bank Bills.

## DESCRIPTION OF GENUINE BILL.

FAOE OF NOTE. Centre; United States and Title of Bank. Right end ; 5, Columbus introducing America to Europe, Asia and Africa, the countries represented by females. Left end; Five, Columbus discovering America.

BACK OF NOTE. Centre; Landing of Columbus. Right end ; FIVE, spread eagle, 5. Left end; FIVE, arms of the State in which the bank is located,5. Ends and border printed in grcen.

Change made in bills of new design, series of 1882.
FAOE OF NOTE. Right end; 5. Left end; vignctte portrait of Garfield. Border; all changed.
$B A C K$ OF NOTE. Centre; brown lathe-work, having in its centre the charter number in large figurcs set in green lathe-work. Rest of back all printed in brown.

The Treasury number of each Five Dollar National Bank Bill is at the upper right-hand corner of the face, the Bank's number at the lower left-hand corner, and, the charter number is in larger figures across the left end and length wise at the rightend. With bills of new design, scries of 1882, the charter number is also in several places in the border, on the face, and in large figures in centre of back.

## Description of Counterfeits of $\$ 5$ Nutional Bank Bills.

## \$5 GENERAL POINTS.

Boyd plates. The counterielt $\$ 5$ Bills of National Banks in llinois wore printed from one series of plates engraved by Ben Boyd, and eapturod by the Seerot Service, Setobor 29th, 1875. All this issue of countorfeits may be instantly deteeted by comparison of the lower right eorner of the back of the same with the genuine. On the genuino the vertieal line dividing tho vignette from the eoat of arms, if continued downwards, would pass througli one of the little figures "fg" in the lower margin. In the counterfeit the same line would pass between two of the figures, thus:-

Theadjoining cutis publisbed by spoclal permiss!on of Chas. J. Folgor, Seeretary of the Treasury, given under date of 1 comber 14, 1882.


GENUINE PLATE-DOUBLE SIZE.


Theadjoining eut-is published by special pormission of Chas. J. Folger, Seeretary of the Treasury, glven under date of Docember 14, 1882.

White plates. The counterfelt $\$ 5$ Bills of National Banks in Massacnusetts Were (excepting the photographs), all printed from one series ol plates engravod by Irvine White, in 1875-6, and captured by the Seeret Service, June 28, 1876. All this issue of counterfeits may be instantly deteeted by comparison of the lower leit face of same with the genuine. On the genuine the vignette of Columbus discovering America on left end of bill is well engraved and complete. In the counterfelt the saine is imperfect, notably the end of the ship's rail on which s sailor is leaning shows no mark of a joint where it rests upon the upright stanehion, and the vertical line between the stanchion and knee is indistinct. Also on the back of genuine bill, at lower left-hand corner, two vortical lines divide the State coat of arms from the largo eenter vignette, and tne line noarost the vignotto, if continued downwards, would pass through the middle of one of the little figures "5" in the lowor margin; but on the counterfeit it would not quite toueh the little "5."

Ulrich platos. The counterfeit $\$ 5$ Blils of National Banks in Pennsylvania were printed from one serles of plates engraved by Chas. F. Ulrich, the same being afterwards used with extra "title lines" to print eounterfeits of the same denomination of bllls on The Natlonal Bank of Pawling, Pawling, Now York, and The National State Bank of Troy, Troy, New York, and eaptured by the Seeret Serviee, April 1, 1880. All this issue of eounterfits may be instantly detected by eomparison of portions of vignetta at right end of bill and of work at left upper eorner of blll with genuine. On genuine, vignette at right end of bill, the monstache of the male figure Columbus eurls downward before the ends turn outwards. In counterfelt, as printed, the moustaehe stands out straight right and left from the upper lip as if waxed. Un genuine, in work at left upper corner of bill, letter "F" in word "Five" touphes the small ornament in the corner of border of bill. In counterfeit It does not by about the sixteenth of an inch.

Unknown plates. Thecounterfelt $\$ 5$ Bills of The Manufacturers' National Bank of Amsterdam, New York, and The Fort Stanwix National Bank of Rome, New York, were both printed from one series of plates engraved by some unknown artist, and not as yet eaptured. All this issue of counterfeits may be instantly detected by comparison of the general style of engraving and of portlons of vignettes with genuine. In counlerfeit, the appearanee of the bill is falr and the expression of the same as a whole decoptive; but when elosely examined the engraving is found defective in many small details and pooriy finished. On genuine, in rignette at left end of bill, the distanee from edge of sail to where stay ropes are made fast upon the yard-arm is two-sixteenths of an lneh, and thenee to the point of the yard-arm two-sixteenths of an ineh. In zounterfeit, the point where stay ropes are made fast upon the yard-arm is three-sixteenths of an ineh from edge of sail, and upon the plate for the same, as firstengraved, was at tho end of the yard-arm. Subsequently the plato was retouehed and the point of the yard-arm merely extended three-sixteenths of an inch, making the yard-arm in countorfeit two-sixtoenths of an inch longer than on genuine.

On genuine, vignette, back of note, the line of the horizon is distinct above the head of the eentrai Hrure Coluinbus. In counterfeit the line of the horizon fails to appear, or is shown on a level with thi erown of the heal of Colambis.

# \$5 SPECIAI POINTTS. 

State.
$\operatorname{CONN}$. Jewett

## Bank.

Check Letter. B.

Series.

## Date or

 Charter Ac of genuinePrinted from an original counterfeit plate in various sept. 1, $1865 \ldots . .1478$ bamples of which have been called dangerous, while others are very poor. Thit Norwall closed, being merged lnto National Bank, Norwich, Conn. Best refuse all

None cenuine Central Nat'l Bank. . Series, 1882
.2342
them charter number 404. Genulne bill of Garfield). The counterfeits have on
None genuine signed "S. B. Colby, Registor of the ................... 2, 1863.
"Canton. First Nat'l Bank
None genulne slgned "S. B. Colby, Reglster of the Treasury." 21, 1864.............. 415 Cecil. First Nat'l Banks. No such bank. Chicago. Central Nat'l Bank. $\qquad$ ... May 10, 1865.
"First Nat'l Bigned "S. B. Colby, Register of the Treasury."
" Gone genulne signed "S......................... May 10, 18

* German Nat'l Bank........................................ 1865
" Merchants" Nat'l Bank.
None genuine signod "S. B. Colby, Register of the Treasury ", May 10, 1865
"Truclers' Nrit'" Band. Colby, Register of the Treasury."

Galena. First Nat'l Bank. No such bank.
Paxton. First Nat'l Bank.
None genuine slgned "S. B. Colby, Register of the A.... Oct. 20, 1871. .1876
Peru. First Nat'l Bank
None genuine signed "S. B. Colby, Reg'r of Treas.. $;$ " $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { June 2, } 1864 . \\ \text { and May }\end{array}\right.$
Pontiac. Nat'l Bank of Pontiac. Stolen." and May $10,1885$. Flve Dollar Bllls of thls bank, bearing bsnk numbers from 741 to 785 , incluslve and Treasury numbers from 252,111 to 252,135 , Incluslve, Fore stolen from the bant unsigned; signatures forged, and the bills put in circulation. The bank clalms exemption frompayment on account of these bills, upon the authority of the decisions
of the law officers of the U.S. Treasury Department. Amount stolen \$500
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> Virginia. Farmer's Nat'l Bank. . .....A..... May 10, 1865..... 1471.
> Refuse all dated May 10, 1865. clusive, and Treasury numbers from 580,959 to 561,408 , Inclusive, were stolon from the bank unslgned; signatures forged, and the bills put in circulation. The bank officers of the U. S. Treasury Department ane authorlty of the declsions of the law
MASS. Bo
New process photograph. Bank. ......... C. . . . Series of 1875.... 545
"Globe Nat'l Bank. (See page 19).
Old process photograph. (See page 19). ............. . Series of 1875.... 936
"Pacific Nat'l Bank. ..............

> Old process photograph. (Sce page 19). .... B.....Series of $1875 \ldots 2373$
> Deaham. Dedham Nret'l Bank........B.....Series of 1875. 609
> ....Series of 1875.... 609

Fall
Fall River. Pocasset Nat'l Bank
C. .. Series of 1875 . 679
Leicester. Leicester Nat'l Bank.
C. ... Series of 1875 918 New process photograph. (See Page 19).
 This ande is pliotokraplied, and of the same poor quality as $\$ 5$ note of the Pacithe and Boylston Banks, also of the Ded ham and Fall River $\$ 5$, the carbon print Charter numbers arc in such lurld contrest with pink seal, the Treasury and clalm the note a counterfcit. The contrast with the black as to at once proclalm the note a counterfcit. The green in the bordcr, on the back of this note,
is mith a brush, as in the foregoing countcreits, but is printed Trcasury No. 3 798654. Charter No. 261. This counterfeit first appeared in March, 1886. (Seo page 19.)

## " Merchants' Nat'l Bank

 photugraphs. ln addition to the General Points already given it may be observed that in the words "Five Dollars" " lower conter face of bill, the letter Sappears engraved irregularly above the llne of the other characters. See general points, White plates.


## \$10 GPNPRAI POINTS.

The counterfeits of the Ten Dollar Bills of National Banks in Indiana, were printed from one series of plates engraved by Miles Ogle, and captured by the Secret Service, January 7th, 1877. The engraving is coarse, especially in vignette, lower left corner face oi bjll. All yet seen bear Bank Number 1488. Treasury Number, B185,187. On counterfeit, in border, upper left end of bill, the word "Currency" is lettered in reverse and appears to be spelt backwards.

The counterieits of the Ten Dollar Bills of National Banks in Pennsylvania, were printed from one series of plates engraved by Nat. Kinsey, and captured by the Secret Service, September 20th, 1867. On counterfeit the post in vignette, lower left corner, was made perfect or plain; the genuine at $1 / 4$ inch from the ground shows a knot hole or nick. This issue bears no Charter number.

The counterfeits of the Ten Dollar Bills of National Banks in New York, were printed irom various original plates, or from electrotypes of the same, all of which have been captured by the Secret Service, in different portions, part August 1st, 1888, and the rest at several subsequent dates. The engraving upon these plates is irom tair to good, yet similar defects are to be observed in all. The lathe-work is irregular, as may be seen in the counters " 10 " on right upper corner face of bills, where the small heart-shaped centers are variable and the work incomplete. The title lines of various banks used with these plates are generally shaded in an irregular and faulty manner and the details of engraving in vignettes imperfect. On the counterfeit in the counter "TeN", left hand upper corner of bills, the heary white line iormed in the lathe-work just abovo the "TEN"' is continuous, and merely touches the top of "E." On the genuine the same line is disconnected above "E," and the ends turn down and enter the top of " $E$ " at points about one-sixteenth of an inch apart. On the counterfeit in vignette, lower left corner lace of bills, the post was made perfect or plain ; the genuine shows a knot hole, or nick on the corner of the same, one-fourth of the length of the post from the ground.

## \$10 SPECIA工 POINTS.

State. IND. City. City. Bank. Lafayctte. Lafayette Nat'l Bank..

Date or Letter. Series. of genuine.

Charter No. From same plate as counterfeits of Tens of Richmond National Bank, Richmo Ind., by change of title lines, and showing the same defeets. These counterfeits bear Charter Number 348, but the true charter number of the bank named is 2213. Refuse all bearing any other charter number than 2213. Refuse all bearing Bank Number 1496, Treasury Number B 185167.
6 Mruncie. Muncie Nat'l Bunk. $\qquad$ . A. .. Feb. 14, 1865. . 793 From same plate as counterfeits of Tens of Richmond National Bank, Richmond, Ind., by change of title lines, and showing the same defects. These counterteits bear Charter Number 346, but the true charter number of the bank named is 793. Refuse all bearing any other charter number than 793. Refuse all bearing Bank Number 1496, Treasury Number B 165187.
Richmond. Richmond Nat'l Bank. ..A....Mar. 15, 1873....2090 $\}$ On this counterfeit a portion of eagle's wing covers bottom of date "1873." On upper left margin, in border, the word "Currency" is lettered in reverse, and appears to be spelt backwards. Refuse all bearing Bank Number 1496, Treasury Number B 185187.
KANS.Atchison. Fiost Nat'l Banli. Stolen....... Series of 1882 .1672 The bills stolen when unsigned bear bank numbers 655 to 668 and Treasury numbers 879,929 to 879,942 .
MASS. Boston. Nrat Mided Leather BL. Stolen... Red pointed Scal.. 460 Ten Dollar Bills oif this bank, bearing bauk numbers from 11,919 to 11,972 , inclusive, and Treasury numbers from 22,900 to 22,953 , inclusive, were stolon from the bank unsigned; signatures forged, and the bills put in circulation. The bank claims exemption from payment on account oi these bills, upon the authority of the deoisions of the law officers oi the U.S. Treasury Department.
N. Y. Albany. Albany City Nat'l Banf..... A....July 20, 1865.... 1291 A superior counterfeit issuo. Note "General Points" already given.
${ }^{6}$ " Merchunts' Nut'l BunF: Stolen........Series of $1875 . . .1045$
Ten Dollar Bills of this bank, bearing bank numbers from 759 to 786 , inclusive, and Treasury numbers from 45,195 to 45,202 , inclusive, were stolen from the bank unsigned; signatures forged, and the bills put in circulation. The bank claims excmption from payment on account of theso bills, upon the authority of the decisions of the law officers of tho U.S. Treasury Department.
Auburı. Auburn City Nat'l Bank...A....July 20, 1865..... 1285 In vignette, lower left corner. Franklin's kite string is broken, or hidden by clouds. In genuine it is wholly visibie. Note "Gencral Points" already given.
Buffalo. Farmev's' aurl Mamufuctuver's' Nat'l Bumli.
No such bank. From ehanged counterfeit plato of Farmers' and Mannfacturors' National Bank of Poughkeepsio, New York.
Lockport. Fiv'st Nat'l Bank.
Register of the Troasury," $20,1865$.
Nonegenuine signed "S. B. Colby, Register of the Troasury."
Newburg. Highlamal Nat'l Bumた.......A.....July 1, 1865..... 1106 Note "(łencral Points" aiready given.
New Yori: City. American Nat'l B7.. A....July 1, 1865.... 50 Rofuse all dated Iuly $1,1885$.
"Cioton. Nut'l Junfi................A............................... 1556 Note "General Yoints" already given. This bank is closed, and genuine bills upon tho samo aro very rare. Best refuse all.
"Fiost Nut'l B'anli............................................ 1865.... 29 Nono genuine signed "S. 13. Voily, Register of the Treasury."
" Mrarine Nat'l Bunli................................. 1, 1865.... 1215 No yonuino note oi this denomination, on this bank bears upon its face Marinc National Bank of New York. Title of good note reads, "Marine National Bank ci the rity of New Yorts."

## \$10 Special Points continued.

 Brown back and brown scolloped seal. This bill appeared in August, 1884. Papor greasy and sitff and with no distributed fibre or parallel silk threads; vignettos coarse and scratchy. In the words "Printed at the Bureau Engraving and Printing, U. S. Treasury Department," in the upper left hand corner of the noto the lotter $N$ in the word "printed" is ongraved the wrong side up, thus: U. The space between the signatures of B. K. Bruce and Jas. Gilfillan and their official titles is $1 / 8$ of an inch, on the genuine the signatures nearly rest upon the same The back oi the note is woll oxecuted; but the face is poor, lathe-work in both counters very poor.PENN. Philadelphia. First Nat'l Bank B.... Feb. 20, 1864 1 Refuse all dated February 20th, 1864.
" Thir'd Nat'l Bank.
B....Feb. 20, 1864.... 234

Note "Generai Points" already given. Lettering and shading of title lines imperfect, being darker than genuine. In the word Philadelphia (directly under the words Register of the Treasury) the capital letter "P" extends below the base line of the other letters. On the genuine the letters are all in line at
the bottom.
WT. Barre. Nat'l Bank of Barre. Stolen. Red pointed Seal..... 2109 Ten Dollar Bills of this bank, bearing bank numbers from 911 to 936 , inclusive, and Treasury numbers from 932,805 to 932,830 , inclusive,' were stolen from the bank unsigned ; signatures forged, and the bills put in circulation. The bank claims exemption from payment on account of these bilis, upon authority of the decisions of the law officers of the U.S. Treasury Department.

# Counterfeits of \$20 National Bank Bills. 

## DESCRIPTION OF GENUINE BILL.

FACK OF' NOT'E.-United States and Title of Bank-20, allegorical represen: tation of Loyalty, Liberty bearing national Hlag, farmers, artisans, etc., rallying around the flag-20, Battle of Lexington.

BACK OF NO'TE.-Baptism of Pocahontas-20, eagle and, shield XX-20, arms of the State in which the Bank is located-XX.

The Treasury number of each Twenty Dollar National Bank Bill is at the upper right-hand corner of the face, the Bank's number at the lower left-hand corner, and (unless on bills of new design of 1882) the charter number is in larger figures acrose the left end and lengthwise at the right end.

## Description of Counterfeits of $\$ 20$ Nat'l Bank Bills. \$20 GENERAI POINTS.

The counterfeits of the Twenty Dollar Bills of National Banks in the State of New York, are all from one series of plates, the issue having been varled by the use of skeletons and extra title lines to imitate the bills of eight different banks, until October, 1870, when all the plates were captured by the Secret Service.

In the vignette, lower right corner, face of bill, appears the goddess of Liberty rallying the people. Over her head Lofalty is inscribed. On the genuine, the inscription is legible and clear, but on the counterieit, hardly to be seen. On genuine, the details of the figure of the goddess are plain, but on the counterfeit the smaller points are very indistinct or not to be seen, and the toes are missing. The features of the figures around the goddess are very much blurred, and the general expression of the faces wild and unnatural. On the back of the counterfeit, the lathe-work is irregular and defective.

The counterfeits of the Twenty Dollar Bills of National Banks in the States of Connectiont, Indiana and Pennsylvania, one bank in each State, are all from one series of platcs captured by the Secret Service, May 7, 1867. The engraving of these plates was coarse, and the bills from them are dark and blurred. The follage to the right of figures " 20, " upper left end of counterfelt, is coarse, bunchy and heavy; on the genuine, lit presents a soft, vapory appearance. On counterfeit, in vignette of battle of Lexington, lower left corner, face of bill, the musket lying on the ground appears to be,thrust through the leg of the iallen man, and the features of the kneeling woman are defective, the ;eyes mere dots. On tho back of counterfeit, the lathe-work is very coarse, scratchy and irregular, and the details of the other work incomplete.
\$20 SPECIAI POINTIS.

CONN, Portlana. First Nut'l Bank............ A.... May 10, 1865..... 1013 Note "General Points" alreadygiven. On shield with the eagle, back of counterfeit, are six imperfect stars; on genuine, seventeen perfect stars appear.
IND. Indianapolis. First Nat'l Bank......A.....Nov. 2, 1863.... 55 Note "General Points" already given.
KANS. Atchison. First Nut'l Bunk. Stolen...... Series of 1882..... 1672 Stolen when unsigned and bearing bank numbers 655 to 668, and 'reasury numbers 679,829 to 679,942 .
MASS. Boston. Nat'l Hide \& Leather Bank. Stolen. Old Seal.... 460 Twenty lollar Bills of this bank, bearing bank numbers from 11,919 to 11,972, Inclusive, and Treasury numbers from 22,900 to 22,953 , inclusive, were stolen from the bank unsigned; signaturesforged, and the bills put in circulation. The bank claims exemption from payment on account of these bills, upon the authority of the deol sions of the law officers of the U. S. Treasury vepartment.
N. Y. Albany. Merchants Nat’l Bank: Stolen. Series of $1875 . . .1045$ Twenty Dollar Bills of this bank, bearing bank numbers from 769 to 766 , inclusive, and Treasury numbers from 45,196 to 45,202 , Inclusive, were stolen from the bank unsigned; signatures forged, and the bills putin circulation. The bank claims excinption from payment on account of these bills, upon the authority of the decisions of the law officers of the U. S. Treasury Department.
Mohaw Fi Nat. Mohawle Talley BF. . A....Series of 1882..... 1130 Photograpl, bui none in circulation and glass plate captured.

## $\$ 20$ Special Points continued.



# Counterfeits of \$50 National Bank Bills. 

## DESCRIPTION OF GENUINE BILL。

F'ACE OF' NOTE.-United States and Title of Bank-50, allegorical representation of Victory: three figures in a cloud, soldier kneeling, praying for viotory-50, Washington crossing the Delaware.

BAOK OF NOTE.-Embarkation of the Pilgrims-50, arms of the State in which the Bank is located, L.

The Treasury number of each Fifty Dollar National Bank Bill is at the upper right-hand corner of the face, the Bank's number at the lower left-hand corner, and (unless on bills of new design of 1882) the charter number, if any, is only in larger figures across the left end and lengthwise at the right end.

| LOCATION. |  | TITLE LINES OF COUNTERFEITS. | CHARTER NO. OF GENUINE. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CHECE } \\ & \text { LETTER. } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mass. | Lynn. | National City Bank. | 697 | Stolen. |
| N. J. | Jersey City. | First National Bank. | 374 | Stolen. |
| N. Y. | Buftalo. | Third National Bank. | 850 | A |
| 6 | N. Y. City. | Central National Bank. | 376 | A |
| " | 66 | Mechanic's National Bank. | 1250 | A |
| " | ${ }^{6}$ | Metropolitan National Bank. | 1121 | AC |
| ، | '6 | National Bank of Commerce. | 733 | AC |
| 6 | " 6 | National Broadway Bank. | 687 | AC |
| 6 | " 6 | Tradesmen's National Bank. | 905 | AD |
| 6 | 6 | Union National Bank. | $1278]$ | A |

## \$50 GENTERAL POINTS.

## Applying to ALL the Counterfeit 50's.

On the counterfeit, in the vignette, upper right end corner face of bill, the upifted arm of the centre figure representing "Victory" ends in a stump without a hand at the bottom of the shading of th large figure " 5 " in " 50. " while on the genuine the thumb and fingers are defined. On the counter feit, in the vignette, lower right end corner face of bill, the end haif of the extra long finger of the right hand of the praying soldier is made to point downward to his rignt foot Un the genuine the finger being bent more, the same pointsistoward his leit foot.

On the back of counterfeit, in the coat or arms of the State of New York, left end center of bill the bandage crosses the forehead of the figure of justice, leaving the eyes exposed and open. On the genuine the eyes are hidden by the bandage which covers them.


GENUINE PLATE-DOUBLE SIZE.

The cut to the left is published by special permission of Chas. J. F'oiger, Secretary of the Treasury, given under date of June 1883.

The cut to the right is published by speciai permission of Chas. J. Folger, Secretary of the Treasury, given under date of Tuno 6, 1883.

OOUNTERFLIT (ULRICH PLATE)-DOUBLE SIZD
The counterfeits of the Fifty Dollar National Bank Bills, of banks in the State of New York Include all as yet issued, and were produced from one series ot plates made by Charles F. Ulrich, and osptured by the Secret Service in April, 1880. The original plate was an imitation of the bills of the Oentral National Bank of New York City. The title line was changed to the Third National Bank, Buffalo, New York; the National Broadway Bank, New York City; and the Tradesmen's National Bank, New Fork City. By various alterations of the bills printed in imitation of those of the banks above named, several other spurious issues have been made to appear, as may be noted in the list of counterfeits on which "Special Points" are given hereafter. The lathe-work on this series of plates was very well done; the best result being obtained at the corners and on the back of the bills.

## \$50 SPPCIAと POINTIS.



MASS. LYNN. NAT'L OLTY BANK.
Letter Series.
The Fifty Dollar Bliis of this bank, bearing bank numbers from 121 to 150 , inclu. sive, and Treasury numbers from 86,796 to 66,825 , inclusive, were stolen from the Treasury Department at Washington unsigned; signatures iorged, and the bills put in eirculation. The bank claims exemption from payment on account of these bills, upon the authority of the decisions of the law officers of the U.S. Treasury Department.
N.E.J. JERSEY CITY. FIRST NAT'L BANK.

Stolen.
The Fifty Dollar Bills of this bank, bearing bank numbers from 671 to 750 , inclasire, and Treasury numbers from 19,609 to 19,688 , inclusive, were stolen from the Treasury Department at Washington unsigned; signatures forged, and the billo put in circulation. The bank claims cxemption from payment on account of theso bilis, upon the authority of the dccisions of the law officers of the U.S. Treasury Department.
N. Y. BUFFALO. THIRD NAT', BANK. A March 10, 1885.

The Charter Number, if any, is 850 ; the counterfcit bears various figures as chartez numbers. None genuine bearing other charter number than 850 . None genuine signed "L. E. Chittenden, Kegister oi the Treasury."
NEW YOKK UITY. CENTRAL NAT'L BANK. A April 15, 1864.
The Ohartcr Number of this bank is 376 ; the counterfoits bear various figures as chartes numbers. None genuine bearing other charter number than 376. None genuint, signed "I. E. Chitterden. Kegister of the Treasury"" and haring the imprint, "Printed at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, U. S. Treasury Dep't," in the upper left-hand corner of the bill.
" NEW YORK UITY. MEUHANICS' NAT. BANK.
A April 20, 1865.
The chartor number of this banis is 1250. Imitations of its fifty doilar notos have bcen made by erasing the titic "Tradesmen's National Bank" from counterfeit billo and working in the name of this bank. Such altered counterfeits bear the charter number 905.. None genuine bearing other cliartor number than 1250. Note 'General Points" already given.
N. Y. OITY. METROPULITAN NAT', BANK. A and O January 10, 1885.

The charter number of this bank is 1121. Initations of its fffy doilar bilis have been male by erasing the titles "National broadway Bank" and "Tradesmen's National l3ank from counterfeit bils and working in the name of this bank. Such altered counterfeits boar respectively charter numbers 687 or 905 . None gonuin boaring other chartcr number than 1121. Note "Gencral Points" as already given.

## $\$ 50$ Special Points continued.

 than 1278. None genuine signed "L. E. Chittenden, Register of the Treasury." Rofuse all dated April 15, 1884.

## Counterfeits of $\$ 100$ National Bank Bills.

## DESCRIPTION OF GENUINE BILL.

FACE OF NOTE.-United States and Title of Bank-- 100 C female seated with wings, allegorical representation, maintenance of Liberty and Nationality---C, 100, men in row boat, two vessels in back.

BACK OF NOTE.--Signing Declaration of Independence---100, eagle in oval, C--100, arms of the State in which the Bank is located, C.

The Treasury number of each One Hundred Dollar National Bank Bill is at the upper right-end corner of the face, the Bank's number at the lower left-band corner, and (unless on bills of new design of 1882) the charter number is in larger figures across the left end and lengthwise at the right end.

| LOCATION. |  | TITLE LINES OF COUNTERFEITS. | CHARTER NO. OF GENUINE. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CHECK } \\ & \text { LETTER. } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MasS. | Boston. | First National Bank, | 200 | A |
| 6 |  | National Revere Bank. | 1295 | A |
| 66 | Lynn. | National City Bank. | 697 | Stolen. |
| 66 | New Bedford. | Merchant's National Bank. | 798 | A |
| 66 | Pittsfield. | Pittsfield National Bank. | 1260 | A |
| Md. | Baltimore. | National Exchange Bank. | 1109 | A. |
| N.J. | Jersey City. | First National Bank. | 374 | Stolen. |
| N. Y. | N. Y. City. | Central National Bank. | 376 | A |
| Ohio. | Cincinnati. | Ohio National Bank. | 630 | A |
| Peun. | Pittsburgh. | Pittsb"gh N.B. of Commerce. | 668 | A |
| 66 | Wilkesbarre. | Second National Bank. | 104 | A |

# Description of Counterfeit $\$ 100$ National Bank Bills. <br> \$100 GENERAL POXNTS 

## APPLYING TO ALL THE COUNTERFEIT 100's FROM THE

SMITH PLATES-On the face of genuine bills, at the right upper corner the space between the edge of the wing of the Goddess of Liberty and the shading of the C is about the 16 th of an inch. On all these Smith Plate counterfeits the distance between the edge of the wing and the shading of the C is but about half the distance, or the thirty-second of an inch.

On the genuine bills the sailor, standing in the bow of the boat, has a fair face with a partly opened mouth; but on all these Smith Plate counterfeit bills the same man has a very widely opened mouth, and eyes of large black dots resembling the eye-holes of a skeleton head.


GEIUINE PLATE-DOUBLE SIZE.


COUNTERFEIT (EMITH PLATE)-DOUBLE SIZE.

On the back of the genuine bilis, in the upper lettered panel, on the third line, right, the words OTHER DEBTS are properly spaced. In the counterfeit the $R$ in OTHER joins the D in DEBTS, and the D is raised above the top of the other letters preceding.

The counterfelts of the Hundred Dollar Bills of The National Exchange Bank of Baltimore, Maryland, The Merchant's National Bank of New Bedford, Massachusette, The National Revere Bank of Boston, Massachusetts, The Pittsfield National Bank of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, The Second National Bank of Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania, and The Pittsburyh National Bank of Commerce, of Pittsburgh, Pa; were all printed from one series of plates, which were engraved in Brooklyn, N. Y., by Charles H. Smith, for Willam E. Brockway, by whom they were surrindered to the Secret Service, November 25th, 1880.

## SIOO GENTEAL POINTS

## APPLYING TO ALL THE COUNTERFEIT 100's FROM THE

ULRICH PLATES-On the face of all genuine bills, in right lower corner of bill under the hand of the Goddess of Liberty, and in a sun-burst, appears the word MAINTAIN. On all these Ulrich plate counterfeits the same read MAINIAIN, the top cross of the " T " being omitted. This defect is generally mended by reprint, pen or pencil, but not so as to deceive close obscrvers.

On the genuine bills the sailor, standing in the bow of the boat, has a nediumsized head and face with a partly opened mouth; but ou all these Ulrich Plate counterfeits the same man has a large broad head and face, a closed mouth, and a broad full forehead.

On the back of the genuine bills, the lettering of the several panels is properly punctuated. In the counterfeit in the lower panel containing ia quotation from the law against conterfeiting, on second line, after the word IT a comma is omitted, also after the word PRINTED on the fourth line in same panel.

The counterfeits of the Hundred Dollar Bills of The First National Bank of Boston, Miass, The Central National Bank of the Uity of New York and The Ulio National Bank of Cincinnati, State of Ohio, were all printed from one series of plates, which were engraved by Charles F. Ulrich in 1886 and captured by the secret Service ncar Cincinnati, Ohio, March 14, 1867.

## $\$ 100$ SPPCIA

siate.
City.
Bank.
ASS. BOSTON. FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

## POINTTS.

Check Dateon
Letter. Series.

A Fcb. 2, 1884.
L. E. Chittenden, Kegister; F. E. Spinner, Treasurer.

On genuine, under large panei BUSTON, each side of "Wiil Pay" appear two Hourishes (four in ail). In counteriett the same are omitted. On genuine the various inscriptions are properiy punctuated. In counterfelt the comma after Boston engraved in script, is omitted, aiso the period after the abreviation "Feb y" in date. See genuine points, Ulrici plates.
BOSTON. NATIONAL REVERE BANK.
A Juiy 20, 1885.
S. B. Colby, Kegister; F. E. Spinner, T'reasurer ; H. Biasdale, Cash'r; Sam'l H. Waliey, Pres't.
On the genuine hundreds of this bank the $N$ of NATIONAL OURRENCY, upper center of bill, touches the scroil ornament of the left top border. In the counterfeit the same does not reach the scroli by one-sixteenth of an inch. See general points, Sinith plates.

- LIYNN. NATIONAI CITY BANK.

Stolen.
Tho Hundred Doliar Bilis of this bank, bearing bank numbers from 121 to 150 , inclusive, and Treasury numbers from 88,798 to 88,825, inclusive, were stoien from the Treasury Department at Washington unsigned; signatures forged, and the bils put in circulation. The bank claims exemption from payment on account of these biils, upon the authority of the decisions of the law otticers of the U.S. Treasury. AEM BEDFORD. MERCHAN'SS' NAT. BANK.

A Feb. 14, 1865.
S. B. Colby, Rerister; F. E. Spinner, Treasurer; P. C. Howland, Cashier ; C. R. Tucker, President.
On the genuins tine hair line under the President's namc, if extended, wouid pass just above the top of the pcriod under the "r" in Cash'r. In the counterfeit the sameline would strike the middle of the ietter " $r$ " in Cash'r. On the genuine the ground-work of the vignctte in lower right corncr of blii does not reach the end border by one-sixteenth of an inch. In the counterfcit the ground-work of the same vignette extends to within a hair's breadth of the end border. See generag points, sinith plates.
PITTSFIELD. PITTSFIELD NAT. BANK.

- July 20,1885 .
S. B. Colby, Kegister ; F. E. Spinner, Treasurer ; E. S. Francis, Casiifer ; John V. Barker, Vice-President. Signatures of bank officers printed in different colored inks, as if written.
On the genuine hundreds of this bank the lower loop of the $S$ in the signature of $S$. B. Coiby touches the yard-arm and the sall of the frigate Niagara. in the counterfeit the same looj) clears the sail of the vessel by one-sixteenth of an inch Sez general points, Smith plates.
3 BALTLMORE. NAT. EXCHANGE BANK.
A Juiy 1, 1885.
S. B. Oolby, Register ; F. E. Spinner, Treasurer.

On the genuine the small heart-shaped figure at the lef end of the panel BALTIMORE in title shows seven lines. In the counterteit the same shows eight lines. On the genuine the hair line for writing the Cashier's signature almost touches the $O$ of Cashier. On the counterfeit the hair line does not reach the $C$ by one-sixteenth of aninch. See general points, Smith plates.
\%. J. JERSEY CITY. FIRST NAT'L BANK.
Stolen.
The Hundred Dollar Bilis of this bank, bearing Bank numbers from 671 to 750 incla. sive and Treasury numbers from 19,809 to 19,888 Inclusive, were stoien from the Treasury Department at Washington, unsigned, signatures forged, and the bills put in circulation. The bank ciaims exemption from payment on account of these bills upon authority of the decisions of the law officers of the U.S. Treasury Department.
F. I. N. Y. CITY. UENTRAL NAT'L BANK. A April 15, 1864.
L. E. Chittenden, Register ; F. E. Spinner, Treasurer.

Un the genulne, under th panel CITY' OF NEW YORK, appear four flourishos. In the counterfeit the same are omitted. See general points, Ulrich plates.
DEIO. CINCINNATI. OHIO NATIONAL BANK.
A Dec. 22, 1884.
L. E. Ohittenden, Register; F. E. Spinner, Treasurer.

On the genuine the outer white line extending the length of the panel enclosing CINCINNATI is of the same width as the white paraliel lines running through the body of the panel. In the counterfert the white line around the panel is broader than those through the body of the panel. See general points, Ulrich plates.
RENX. PITMSBURGH. PITTSB'G NAT. BK. OF COMMERCE. A Series of 1875.
John Al son, Register: Jno. C. New, Treasurer; Joseph H. Hill, Cash'r; Alfred Patterson, Pres't.
On the genuine the signatures of the officers of the oank are written. On the counterfeit the name of the Cashier is printed and that of the President written. The genuine is printed on Government iocalized fibre paper, a very close imitation of which is used in making the counterfeit, but the fibre in the same is not 80 wideiy distributed as in the genuine, is tender, and eannot be picked out unbroken. Numbering nearly perfect. Color ol figures and seal excellent. See general points, Smith plates.
6. TLKESBARRE. SECJOND NATIONAL BANK. A Nov. 2, 1883.
L. E. Ohittenden, Register; F. E. Spinner, Treasurer ; E. A. Spalding, Cash'r ; Abram Nesbitt, Vice-President.
On the genuine the names of the offieers of the bank are written. On the oounterfoit the same are printed. See generai points, Smith plates.

## EOUNPERFEITR OF U. S. TREASURY NOTRS

Check Letters with * are poor or coarse counterfeits, like Photos, Lithos, Etchings or Yen-work.


Beware of United States Treasury Notes, or imitations of the same, of the series, denomination, and check letter given in the preceding table; they are counterfeited or counterfeits. Both the genuine and counterfeit notes of dates of 1862 and 1863 are signed L. E. Chittenden, Register, and F. E. Spinner, Treasurer; and those of Series of 1869 are signed John Allison, Register, and F. E. Spinner, Treasurer.

United States Treasury Notes are printed four on a sheet and lettered respectively, A, B, C, or D. Each Note also bears a Treasury number-one of a series. On notes lettered A, this will be 1, or a number divided by four leaves one remainder; on notes lettered $B$, it is 2 , or a number divided by four leaves two remainder; on notes lettered C, it is 3 , or a number divided by four leaves three remainder; on notes lettered $D$, it is 4 , or a number divided by four leaves no remainder.

Divide the number by four ; if the result differs from the foregoing, the note is counterfeit. If the results agree, the note may be counterfcit nevertheless, and reference must be made in such a case to the following :

## Descriptive List of Counterieits of U. S. Notes. ONES.

$\$ 1$ B C D. Dated August 1, 1862; Act of July 11th, 1862. Two similar nounterteits, both poor. Engraving coarse. Viguette head of Chase very badly done, the mouth crooked, the eyes blurred, and the expression unnatural. Numbering irregular and off coior. Imprint of Bank Note Company very imperfect. The ones in circles in the top and bottom border of note almost illegible. The lathe-worls quite detective. Receivable in payment of all loans. Plates captured.
$\$ 1$ D. Serics of 1875. Act of March 3, 1803. John Allison, Register; A. U.
Wyman, Treasurer. A poor counterfeit, but of passable appearance at a distance, or in a poor light. Engraving coarse, lines broken aud uneven. Viguette of head of Washington very badly done. Lettering imperfect. Numbering very irregular. On the back an attempt has been made to imitate fibre by printing. In the inscription on the back, a number of words are mis-spelt. Specimens of this counterfoit seeu have beeu an eighth of an inch longer than the genuine.

## TWOS.

$\$ 2$A B C D. Dated August 1, 1862; Act of July 11, 1862. A poor counterfeit. Engraving coarsc. Vignette head of Hamilton very badly done. Shading of large letters in United States badly engraved. Lettering uneven. Imprint of National Bank Note Company almost illegible. Lathe-work defective, lines indistinct. Reccivable in payment of all loans. Lithograph. Matcrials captured.
$\$ 2$ D. Series of 1875. Act of March 3, 1863. Treasury number, 8347504. John Allison, Register; A. U. Wyman, Trcasurer. A poor couuterfcit, printed on plain paper by the old photographic process. See page 20 .
$\$ 2$ D. Series of 1880. B. K. Bruce, Register; A. U. Wyman, Treasurcr, A poor counterfcit, and seems to be the product of a wood cut. The picture of the Capitol in centre of note is a merc outline of the same. Numbering fair, lettering in border and back poor. Legal Tender on back reads Legal Lender in counterfeit. Paper soft and dark. This counterfeit first appeared March, 1886.

## FIVES.

 A. Dated March 10, 1862 ; Act of Fcbruary 25, 1862. Series 90. Convertible note. The best of the counterfeits of the five dollar Treasury Notes of 1808 and 1863. Engraving coarse, but the vignette head of Hamilton presents a fair expression. The lathe-work around the large figure 5, in right upper corner of note, is defective. Lathe-work on back of note alse faulty. Plates captured.$\$ 5$ A. Dated March 10, 1863; Act of Fobruary 25, 1862. Series 114. Convertible note. A poor counterfeit. All genuine notes dated March 10, 1863, are nonconvertible.
$\$ 5$ A D. Dated March 10, 1863; Act of March 3, 1863. New series, and new series 70. Inferior counterfeits. The engraving on the face of the notes is very coarse ; vignette statue of Liberty, left end of notes, looks like a cheap wood engraving. Vignette head of Hamilton, right end of notes, coarse, of very poor appearance, and not a likeness. Signature of L. E. Chittenden, Register, engraved in coarse lines, not a fac-simile of genuine. Numbering very poor. Imprin $\ddagger$ of Amcrican Bank Note Company imperfect. Lathe-work around the figure 5 on the counters and on the back of notes very defective.
$\$ 5$ A D. Dated March 10, 1863 ; Act of March 3, 1863. New series 77. A passable counterfeit. The engraving on the face of the note is coarse. The lathe-work around the figure 5, on the counter, right upper corner face of bill, is very defective. The vignette of Hamilton, right lower corner, though poorly engraved, presents a fair expression, and is to a certain degree a likeness. Vignette statue of Liberty, left end of bill, "scratchy" and unfinished in detail, and lacking the cross lines in shading. About the feet of the statue a few rough lines alone appear, instead of the sharply-defined folds of drapery shown on the genuine. Lathework on back of note faulty, the lines not traceable in the green tint.

\$5A D. Dated March 10, 1863 ; Act of March 3, 1863. New series 77, and new series Good counterfeits of these series. Engraving quite well done; general appearance comparatively good; very likely to deceive unless carefully examined. The letiering of these counterfeits is well engraved and the shading regular, yet heavier than on genuiné. The lathe-work around the figure 5 on the counter, right upper corner face of bill, appears good at first sight, yet when inspected is found to lack the very fine continuous lines of the genuine. The vignette of Hamilton is almost as fincly engraved as the genuine, and presents a very fair likencss. The vignette statue of Liberty, left end of note, is not so carefully fiuished; the general features of the statue and its drapery are discernable, but details are imperfect or wanting. On the left hand of the figure (the side towarll the body of the note) the drapery below the knee does not show the ornamental ball-tassels as prominent as on the genuine. Lathe work on back of note defective.

$\$ 5$C. Series of 1875. Act of March 3, 1863. John Allison, Register; A. U Wyman, Treasurer. Dangerous counterfeit. General appearance good. Printing well doue. Lettering generally clear and regular. Lathe-work a good imitation of genuine. Shading of words United States in title coarse and "scratchy." Centert vignette, emigrant family, coarsely engraved. Vignette bead of Jackson in lower left of note badly done; the face has a scared or startled expression, unlike the firm, calm, intelligent look of the genuine. In the upper left corner of note the "Series of 1875" lacks the flourishes which appear above and below " 1875 " on the genuine. Imprint of Bureau, Engraving and Printing, irregular and imperfect, and several letters are incomplete or broken; after the word Bureau is a period instead of a comma as in genuine, and the \& is blotted at the top where the genuina distinctly shows a clear open space in a loop. The genuine notes of this series are all on fibre paper. This is poorly imitated in the counterfeit by fine lines printed only on the space at the left end of back of note. Plates captured.

\$5D. Series of 1875. Plate 12, and Plate 14. Act of March 3, 1863. Both Treasury numbers, B8058120. John Allison, Register; A. U. Wyman, Treasurer. Two passable counterfeits, from plates made by the old photographic process

All imprints are about a quarter of au inch shorter than the genuine. The perspective in the center vignette of emigrant and family is very bad, the lathe-work lettering and border are blurred in several places, and the vignette head of Jackson, in lower left corver of note, does not show the fine dotted lines of the genuine. Plate 12 is printed on an imitation of localized fibre paper, rather heavy, but equal to genuine in appearance, made by cementing a thin back to a thicker face sheet with fibre in place between them.

Plate 14 is printed both on plain paper, and on an imitation of localized fibrepaper. The seal, Treasury numbers, and charter numbers, as well as the whole of the back were copied and appeared in black on the photographs; these were then tinted more or less by hand in attempted imitation of the colors of the genuinc ; the black can be seen under the tints, the tint on the seal is blotted and covers the white lines which appear in the genuine. Numbering blurred with color. On the back of notes the tinting is badly done, often incomplete and the whole note is off color.

\$5A. Series 1875. Act of March 3, 1863. Treasury number, B3420232. Plate 22. John Allison, Register ; A U. Wyman, Treasurer. Photograph. Printed on plain paper, coarse and heavy. Seal and cycloid work very pale. Numbering fair. Lathe-work on back, and in two counters on face, so blurred hardly a line can be seen. The green ink and red numbers are very good so far as the shade of color goes. The note on face has a blurred appearance and is very dark. Of the same length as the genuine. Not dangerous, but deceptive.
$\$ 5$ B. Series of 1880. B. K. Bruce, Register ; A. U. Wyman, Treasurer. The paper is thin and soft, being unsized, and lacking the parallel silk threads of the genuine note. The medallion of Jackson in lower left corner of note is badly executed. The letter " y " in the Treasurer's name is a " g " in the counterfeit. This counterfeit first appeared in March, 1886.

## TENS.

$\$ 10$B C. Dated March 10, 1862; Act of February 25, 1862. Series 19. "Exchangeable for six per cent. U. S. bonds." A poor counterfeit. Engraving coarse, blurred generally, especially in the viguette head of Lincoln, where the eyes have a wild, staring expression. In the imprint of the National Bank Note Company, the first " $a$ " in "Nation" is smaller than the adjoining letters, and the imprint is about a sixtcenth of an inch above the border of the note: On the genuine, the panel inscribed "National Bank Note Company" touches the hair line iuside of border. There arc eight or ten different counterfeits of this denomination, act and_date, some of which are almost equal to the genuine. Plates captured.
$\$ 10$ BC. Dated March 10, 1862; Act of February 25, 1862. New series" 23. "Rcceivable in payment of all loans." A good counterfeit ; close imitation of the genuine, well calculated to deceivc. Engraving good, but somewhat coarse of the vignettes. Lathe-work excellent. Numbering well done. Imprint of Na-
tional Bank Note Company almost perfect. On genuine, under the wing of the eagle in vignette center are four clean cut feathers. In the counterfeit, the fcathers are blurred and indistinct at that point. On the genuine, the line on which the Treasury number is printed ranges below the words "New Series" to the righs of the figures. In the counterfeit, the line, if continued, would strike "New Series" below the middle of the letters. Plates captured.
$\$ 10$ B C. Dated March 10, 1862; Act of February 25, 1862. Series 52. "Exchangeable for six per cent. U. S. twenty years bonds." A good counterfeit. Vignette head of Lincoln fairly engraved, but a poor likeness; hair coarse, fine lines in drapery irregular. Imprint of National Bank Note Company, lower left corner of note, in a good style of plain lettering, but irregular, especially in the word "NoTe," where the letter " T " appears leaning forward at a lower angle than the adjoining letters.
$\$ 10$ A B C D. Dated March 10, 1863; Act of March 3, 1863. New Series 7, Series 19, New Series 23, New Series 52, and New Series 53. Counterfeits in general well done, especially in engraving of vignettes. The center vignette of a spread eagle, is, however, comparatively inferior, presenting a somewhat scratchy appearance; and the figure of a woman artist on right end of face of counterfeit is imperfect in detail and faulty in shading. The lathe-work of these counterfeits is defective in the green tint center of face of the same and in the green medallion counters inscribed 10. On the genuine, to the left of figures 10 on green counters, are four green dots. In the counterteits but three such dots are plaicly visible.

$\$ 10$C. Series of 1875. Act of March 3, 1863. An extensively-circulated counterfeit. In the engraving of vignette head of Webster the face has a surly expression. On the genuine the lines of shading across the breast of Webster's coat are uniform in drawing, equally spaced and regular. In the counterfeit the lines of shading on the body of the coat are much finer, and those on the lapel much coarser than the genuine. Thus the counterfeit also differs from the genuine in showing both coarse and fine lines of shading on the breast of Webster's coat, as may best be seen around the upper button hole and on the adjoining part of the coat, as illustrated in the cuts here presented.


GENUINE PLATE-DOUBLE SIZE.


COUNTERFEIT PLATE-DOUBLE SIZE.

On the genuine note the inscription Washington, D. C., center of bill, is in openfaced italic caps and small caps, the letters W and D. C. being larger than the others. In the counterfeit the inscription WASHINGTON, D. C. is in the same kind of type but the letters are all of the same size. On upper center of border the inscription "This note is a legal tender for ten dollars" is badly spaced on the counterfeit, the words "for" and "ten" joining each other. All genuine notes of this series are on distinctive fibre paper; the counterfeits are on plain paper, the fibre in the original issues of counterfeits being imitated by fine lines on the back, which are printed, or drawn with a pen. The latest issue of counterfeits of this description are printed on an imitation of fibre paper, made with very coarse threads orhairs in the body of the same.

$\$ 10$D. Series of 1880. Signed B. K. Bruce and A. U. Wyman, but the small words "Register of the Treasury" and "Treasurer of the United States," which should be under the signatures, are omitted on the counterfeit, also the words "Engraved and printed at the Burcau of Engraving and Printing" and "Act of March 3rd, 1863." On the right end, back of notes, all the small lettering which should appear there about the legal tender quality, penalty for counterfeiting, \&c., is also all omitted. Lathe-work very poor, some notes on the back have no attempt at lathe-work, only the outlinie made and the grecn color being put on as with a brush. Other notes seen have the lathe-work partly imitated but very poorly donc. The inks and color used on the notes can be rubbed off or the work disfigured by applying moisture with finger or sponge. The gencral appearance, however, of the face of the note, is fair, but the quality of the work will not bear close inspection. The paper is poor, and lacks the fibre and the two parallel silk threads.
In the vignette of Webster, on the lapel and body of the coat adjoining, the lines of shading there are uniform but not level on the lapel, while at the same time the white lines of such shading are about as broad or coarse as the black lines between them, thus countcrfeits here present a very different appearance from genuine.
L. Series of 1880. Signed B. K. Bruce and Jas. Gilfillan. These notes are slightly different in all thcir parts from the notes just mentioned. They are, however, of the same general appearance and quality of work, bear all the defects just mentioned about the $\$ 10$ notes of check letter $D$, and none are genuine with a check letter " $L$ " thereon, but the L may easily be changed to a D.

## TWENTIES.

For a General Point-'To detcet all the old countcrfeit 20's of dates 1862 or 1863, notice on the face of notes the little small lines or dots crossing lengthwisc at the top and bottom part of the large green figures 20 ; these lines are known to those of our craft as telegraph lines. On genuine notes they are distinct, uniform and straight across the figures 20 . On the great majority of, as well as the best, counterfeits, these lines are lacking. Only a few of the very poorer counterfeits have them at both the top and bottom part, and even by thicse lines alone these notes can be detected, as such lines are very imperfectly and coarsely done.
\$20
A B C. Dated March 10, 1862; Act of Feb. 25, 1862. Series 6 and Series 24. "Exchangeable for six per cent. twenty years bonds." Dangerous counterfeits. Engraving coarse generally. Imprint of American Bank Note Company, New York, very imperfect. Numbering good. Lathe work very defective, especially in medallion counters around larger tigures 20 on face of note. Plates captured.
$\$ 20$ A B C D. Dated March 10,1862; Act of February 25, 1862. New series 7. An inferior but passable counterfeit. Engraving quite coarse and faulty. The hands of the Goddess of Liberty are shapeless and out of form. In the center foreground of vignette the drapery of the figure secms to reach the earth, and but a few irregular marks indicate where the foot appears on the genuine. The lines of the shield though tolerably slear at the top are too heavily shaded at the bottom. The inscription "Payable at the Treasury of the U. S. At New York" underneath the vignette is very imperfect, as are the imprints of the two bank note companies below. Lathe-work exceedingly defective. Plates captured.
$\$ 20$ A. Dated March 10, 1863; Act of March 3, 1863. "Exchangeable for six per cent. twenty years bonds." A poor counterfeit. Lathe-work very defective. The back of this note is "mulcd," or mismatched with its face. No genuine Twenty Dollar U. S. Treasury Note issucd under the Act of March 3, 1863, was "convertible" or had on its back the words "Exchangeable for six per cent. bonds."
$\$ 20$ A. Dated March 10, 1863; Act of March 3, 1863. New series. A very poor counterfeit. Vignette of Goddess of Liberty badly done. Shading of large letters "United States" on face of note coarse and "scratchy." Lathe-work exceedingly defective, especially on back of note. Lithograph. Matorials captured. $\$ 20$ A. Dated March 10, 1863; Act of March 3, 1863. New, series 19. A poor counterfeit. Engraving quite coarse. The fingers of the left hand of Goddess of Liberty appear broken and the foot is not at all well defincd. Imprint of bank note companics very imperfect. Lathe-work very defcctive. Plates captured. $\$ 20$ A B C D. Sories of 1875. Act of March 3, 1863. John Allison, Register: Joln C. Now, Treasurer. $\Lambda$ dangerous counterfeit if taken at first glance, but will not bear close cxamination. The outlincs of this counterfeit are supposed to have been produced by some modification of the photographic process, and the finish and details by the skillful and artistic use of pens and brushes. The vortrait of Hamilton fincly exceuted, but the back-ground a mass of black washed
in, nearly the proper shade, but lacking the fine lines which make up the ground work of the genuine. No attempt at lathe-work in the center surrounding the figures " 20 "-of similar nature to the back-ground of portrait.

Another $\$ \mathbf{2 0}$ note, Series of 1875 . Letter B, appeared in June 1884, and is about the same elass of a note. Signed John Allison as Register and Jas. Gilfillan as Treasurer. None genuine signed Jas. Gilfillan as Treasurer. At top center on tace of note the fine imprint, "Engraved and printed at the Bureau Engraving and Printing." is also omitted on the counterfeit.
$\$ 20$ A B C D. Series of 1878. Act of March 3, 1863. Jolin Allison, Register ; Jas. Gilfillan, Treasurer. A passable counterfeit but will not bear close examination. Made by a plate process in outline and finished much the same as counterfeit of 20 , series of 1875 , just described. Done on a paper nearly a perfect imitation of the genuine. Inks almost the same shade of genuine.
$\$ 20$ A B C D. Series of 1880. In general looks the counterfeits are dangerous notes, colors excellent, but moisture applied with finger or sponge will disturb the inks. At top centre, facc of note, the words "Engraved and Printed at the Bureau Engraving and Printing " are omitted. The paper lacks the two parallel silk threads and the silk fibre, yet all are nicely imitated by ink lines. A similar class of counterfeits to those of series of ' 75 and '78. Examine pen-nade lathe-work around large 20 in centre face of noto.

## FIFTIES.

$\$ 50$C. Dated March 10, 1862; Act of February 25, 1862. Series 1, One of the "convertible" series. An inferior counterfeit. Engraving badly executed. Vignette head of Hamilton defective, the nose of the portrait runs to an unnatural sharp point and there is a peculiar "dish" to the countenance not seen in the genu10. Numbering imperfect. Plates captured.
$\$ 50$ A B C D. Altered note. Very dangerous. Made by raising genuine \$2 Treasury notes. By error, certain Treasury 2s and 50 s bear the same vignette head of Hamilton. On genuine fifties the vignette head of Hamilton is at the top of the note, on the twos and the raised note, it is at the bottom. The vignette head of Hamilton has often been cut from genuine twos, the back removed and the face neatly cemented over the inferior work of poor counterfeit fifties, which were thus made passable.
$\$ 50$ A B C D. Dated March 10, 1863; Act of March 3, 1863. New series 1. Pates ted 30, June, 1857. Two different counterfeits, but both poor. Face of notes from different plates, but with same backs. Engraving of vignette head of Hamilton coarse and defective. On the face of notes in the counters bearing the large figures 50 are white lines surrounding smaller italic 50 s . On the geruine, one of these white lines crosses the space inside the large 0 . In one of the counterfeits, this line does not cross the large 0 , and the space inside the same is occupied only by the back-ground. But in both counterfeits on the back of notes the small counters inscribed 50 , which form the border of the back and the inside space, though octagonal, are crooked in outline and lack the perfect form of the genuine and surrounding all these small 50 s are the words fifty, fifty, yet in both counterfeits these words are perfectly illegible. Plates captured.
$\$ 50$ A B C D. Dated March 10, 1863; Act of March 3, 1863. New series 1. Patented 30, June, 1857. Dangerous counterfeit. Engraving good in general. Vignette head of Hamilton very finely done. The buttons on Hamilton's vest not as distinct as on genuine. In the counters bearing the large figures 50 are white lines surrounding smaller italic 50 s. On the genuine, one of these white lines crosses the space inside the large 0 . In the counterfeit this line does not cross the large 0 , and the space inside the same is occupied only by the back-ground. On the back of the genuine, the counters inscribed 50 forming the border of the greenback and of the inside space are octagons having obtuse angles. In this counterfeit the outlines of the small counters described are almost perfect circles.
$\$ 50$ A C D. Dated Mareh 10, 1863 ; Act of March 3, 1863. New Series 2. Patented April 28, 1862, above the check letter. A splendid counterfcit, one of the most dangerous in existence. Inks and printing nearly equal to the genuine, Numbering perfect. The buttons on the vest of Hamilton are not as distinctly prominent as on genuine. In the counters bearing the large figures 50 are white lines surrounding smaller italic 50 's. On the genuine, one of these white lines crosses the space inside the large 0 . In the counterfeit, this line does not cross the large 0 , and the space inside the same is occupied only by the back-ground. On the back of
counterfeit near lower left corner two of the counters in the border are partly merged and a cipher being omitted, the figures read " 550 ." On the genuine the same coun-ters are not so much merged, and the figures read " 5050 ." On the genuine the small counters inscribed " 50 ," which form the border of the green back and of the: inside space are octagons with obtuse angles. In the counterfeit the outlines of than small counters described are almost perfect circles. Plates capturen.
$\$ 50$ B. Series of 1869. Act of March 3, 1863. A superior and davgerous counterfeit. Excellent general appearance. Engraving good. Vignette portrait of Henry Clay a fair likeness. Numbering well done. Lathe-work a fine imitation of genuine, nearly perfect. On the genuine, between "Series of" and "1869," at upper left face of note, is a flourish, which is omitted from the counterfeit unless pen-made. On back centre of genuine note, at top of large 50, two stars emerging show five points each : two stars bottom of 50 four points each. On counterfeit the star top of large 5 in 50 shows six points; the star top of 0 in 50, and two stars bottom of 50, five points each. All genuine notes are printed on distinctive fibre paper, counterfeits on plain paper. Plates captured. Handle with Care.
$\$ 50$ D. Series of 1875. Act of March 3, 1863. A pen-made counterfeit of good appearance, artistically finished with the brush. A moistened thumb applied to the Treasury numbers or green tint on back of note removes the color.

## ONE HUNDREDS.

$\$ 100$A B C. Dated March 10, 1862; Act of February 25, 1862. Series 1. "Exchangeable for U. S. six per cent. twenty years bonds." A dangerous, though defective, counterfeit. Engraving coarse. Vignette of spread eagle upon a rock badly done, the plumage "scratchy." On the genuine the stem of the feather in the eagle's tail near the left claw is very distinct. In the counterfeit the stem of the feather described is almost or quite invisible. The figures used in numbering are much longer or "deeper" than in genuine, are imperfect, and the printing off color. On the back of the genuine, in the scroll work on both sides of the circle, the figures appear repeatedly in regular order thus-on the left hand "001"; right hand " 100. ." On the counterfeit the figures are just reversed and stand thus-left hand " 100 "; right hand " 001. ."

## FIVE HUNDREDS,

$\$ 500$ A B C D. Series of 1869. A.ct of March 3, 1863. An exceedingly dangerous counterfeit. Some on tibre paper. Engraving and general execution equal to genuine. Upon the appearance of this counterfeit the Treasury issued enlarged photographs of the same, and of the genuine for comparison, to aid detection. The buttons on the coat of Adams are not as round as on the genuine, particularly the upper one nearest the lapel, which button is quite oblong. The three middle toes of the figure of Justice are shorter and arc of about one-third of the whole length of the exposed foot; on the genuine the same are in length full one-half or more of the exposed foot. The scale held aloft in the left hand has the upright of the beam a little larger: and if not inked, shows plainly from the beam to the cnd of the third finger: on the genuine it shows only to about the bottom of the hand. In the ccunterfeit, in the ornamental work around the lower Treasury numbers, between the vignette and the upper corner of the N or letter forming part of the numbers, is a small oblong but complete loop; in the genuine the same is like an oblong loop disconnected at its left end, and then the top lines or top half part of the loop extending at least one-third beyond the lower lalf-part. Nearly all the genuine notes have been retired. Best reccive these notes, only as bills for collection.

## ONE THOUSANDS.

$\$ 1000$ABC D. Vated March 10, 1862, and March 10,1863; Act of March 3, 1863. An exceedingly dangerous counterfeit; nearly a perfect imitation. Engraving almost or quite equal to genuine. Lathe-work in the border and corner of the face of the note a little defective, and the words "Act of March 3, 1863" are a little coarser than the genuine. The points of difference are so very slight that a direct and very careful comparison of the genuine with the counterfeit is necessary to detect. Upon the ap pearance of this counterfeit the Trcasury issued enlarged photographs of the same and the genuine for comparison to aid detection. Upon the original plate of the gelluine first issue of this note the date was by mistake engraved March 10, 1862. This crror was copied by the engraver of the counterfcit and notes thus printed. Afterwards the genuine issue was made to bear the proper date, March 10, 1863. This too was copied, and counterfeit notes issued accordingly. Very few genuine are in circulation. Recerve these notes only as bills for collection.

# Counterfeits of Silver Certificates, 

$\$ 1$D. Series 1886; W.S. Rosecrans, Register, and James W. Hyatt, Treasurer. In counterfeit the whole end border on left end face of note appears light, more of a uniform shade from top to bottom, and thus it lacks the contrast of several dark lathe-work designs with lighter parts intervening, as on genuine. Portrait of Martha Washington fair, but work not as fine as genuine. No actual silk thread length wise of note. In small words "Treasurer of the United States" the "e" in "the' is imperfect or far too high. "Engraved and Printed, \&c.," not as clear cut as genuine.

\$2
C. Series of 1886. The general appearance of the note is very bad. The vignette of General Hancock is exceedingly poor, and background very scratchy. In the counter in the upper right hand corner of face-containing the figure " 2 "-the geometric lathe work is not discernible, while in the genuine it is very distinct. The Check Letter C, next to the vignette of Hancock, is very indistinct, and it is omitted altogether on the right end of the note. The small letters in border of face are very indistinct. On the back of the note the lathe work is so poor that a cursory glance would at once enable one to detcrmine its false character, and the words "Burcau Engraving and Printing," in small panel, lower centre of back, can hardly be decipheied.

\$5A. Series of 1886 ; W. S. Rosecrans, Register, and James W. Hyatt, Treasurer of the United States. Good countcrfeit except the portrait of Grant. The color of Trcasury numbers, seal, and on the back of note being good, though those numbers are longer and larger. The counterfeit portrait of Grant lacks that stern look and life-like expression of genuine, but instead has a blank, flat look; a different set to the eyes; his right eye in particular being wider open, and not deep set as in genuine. Has also a whitish beard with a dark-colored moustache, the appearance of a longer or not so broad a head and face, and altogether a different look and expression from the genuine. The counterfeits are on different kinds of paper, some of it being good both in thickness and color, and another kind is thinner than genuine, more flimsy, of an old or yellowish shade of color, but all the paper lacks the silk thread, although this is nicely imitated by a line lengthwise on the back of the note. A dangerous bill to the general public, or to all persons if the portrait of Grant is much worn. This counterfeit is known as the Johnson plate five.
$\$ 5$ D. Series 1886. W. S. Rosecrans, Register, and James W. Hyatt, Treasurer. The portrait of Grant has a fair expression, but the work coarse; the background of portrait lacks the uniform cross line work of genuine, but has on his left side only irregular line, running perpendicularly, and on bis right side little short white lines "picked" in. In small words "Register of the Treasury" the word "Register" is out of line or much higher than the other words. Lathe-work counters very good. No actual silk thread lengthwise of the note. This counterfeit is known as the Italian five.

$\$ 10$Series of 1880. This very inferior counterfeit (signed G. W. Schofield, Register, and James Gilfillan, Treasurer) appoared in July, 1884, and is supposed to have been printed from a poor wood-cut. Lathe-work poor. Paper inferior, and sometimes of two thin layers, with silk thread placed between. Check Letters A and D, have been noticed and probably all the Check Letters have been inserted. Some of the very small lettering on the notes have been omitted. On the back of bill, near the top, from this portion of a sentence "and all public dues, and when so received may be reissued" the word "all" is entirely omitted, and 1 , the words "when so" are tied together as one word.

$\$ 10$Series of 1880. Act Feb. 28, 1878. Signed B. K. Bruce, Register; "A. U. Wyman, Treasurer. A poor counterfeit. The words "Engraved and printed at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing' on right end of genuine note are omitted on the counterfeit. No attempt to form the small letters in border on face of note. Check letter in upper left corner omitted, but traces of one on lower right end that resembles a "C."

$\$ 10$
Series of 1880. A very poor counterfeit. Signed B. K. Bruce and A. U. Wyman, but the small words "Register of the Treasury", and "Treasurer of the United States" are omitted on the counterfeit, also other small lettering on the face of bill. Lathe-work very bad, on the back of the note only a daubing of ink. Vignette of Robert Morris very badly done. The paper is poor and lacks the fibre and the two parallel silk threads. Check Letter C has bcen noticed.

Series of 1880. A very poor counterfeit. Signed B. K. Bruce, Register; Jas. Gilfillan, Treasurer. The stone, from which part of it was printed, is of the coarsest grain, and the workmanship of the crudest character. The words "there have been deposited with" and "payable at his office to the bearer on demand " are all in script type, and are the only clear lines in the note, all else being blotchy, blurred and soiled. Trcasury number B376780X, probably the same on all.

PENWORK. Done by the same method as the 20 's. Work coarse and sketchy, still effective.

The Seal and X's, which in the genuine are of pink color, have also been photographed and produced in black on the counterfeits, then colored by hand in a bungling manner, the black underneath being easily discernible, giving the appearance of dirty red to the work. This color is readily disturbed by the application of moisture.
$\$ 20$ C Serres of 1880, A good counterfeit. Signed B. K. Bruce, Register, and Jas. Gilfillan, Treasurer. In this counterfeit silver certificate, which is shorter than the genuine note, there is no distributed fibre or parallel silk threads in the paper as in the genuine, and the paper itself is thick and stiff. The words "silver certificate" appear in panels twice in the upper border on the face of the note. In the panel to the left in the counterfeit the letters R T and F in the word certificate are engraved the "wrong side up." In the counterfeit there are no periods dividing the initials in K. B. Bruce. On the lower left corner the check letter C is without an accompanying number, and in the name Gilfillan only the first " $i$ " is dotted. On the back of the note the word "taxes" is plainly spelt "tares" and the word "Engraved" is spelt "Engravod." The color of the seal is brick red, it should be verging on brown. It has been definitely ascertained that only two sets of Treasury numbers have been used on said certificates, viz., B1467X and B1487415X. This counterfeit appeared in March, 1884.

One issue of these certificates are printed on thinner paper, and with better ink and color to the seal than as above described, otherwise they are the same.
$\$ 20$ PENWORK. First appearance of these $\$ 20$ certificates was in May, 1881. The paper is of ordinary bank note quality, being thinner than that upon which the genuine certificate is printed, and in color darker. The counterfeiter has drawn two parallel lines throughout the length of the note. There are so many defects and omissions in the spurious certificate when compared with the genuine that it would be futile to enumerate them, seeing they are the product of the pen and not of the plate. The Treasury number can be wiped off by the aid of a damp sponge.

Numerous other $\$ 20$ silver certificates of this pen and brush work have appeared since the above. They are of the serics of 1880 , and include all the clicek-letters. The paper is thinner than the genuine, but these notcs are very deceiving in their gencral look. Each note differs from another and from the genuine in many points. All should be detected by general look and quality of work, ink and paper. Especially examinc closely the lines of shading on the coat of Commodore Decatur.

## Ten Instructive Sight Guides.

## U. S. NOTES.

\&. Of date 1862 and 1863 , have no jute or fibre in the paper. Of Series 1869 , 1874,1875 or 1878 are printed on a distinctive fibre paper known as the Wilcox patent.
Of Series 1880, are printed on the new paper, having a red and blue silk thread running from end to end, one at the top and the other at the bottom of the notes, and shreds of red and blue silk fibre scattered through the paper, and known as the Crane patent.
2. All counterfeits of U. S. Notes, dated 1862 or 1863, bear the Red Pointed Seal.
3. All U. S. Notes, Series of 1880, bear the large Brown or large Red Seal, and all Notes bearing these Seals can be taken with entire freedom from suspicion, excepting the $\$ 2$ and $\$ 5$ poor counterfeits, the Webster-head $\$ 10$ poor counterfeits and the $\$ 20$ counterfeits of this series.

## NATIONAL BANK BILLS.

4. Very few National Bank Bills bearing the Red Pointed Seal have any fibre in the paper.
Of Series of 1875 (all of which have the Red Scalloped Seal), are either printed on jute fibre paper, or the new silk line paper, the same as used for the U. S. Notes, Series of 1880.
Of Series of 1882, bearing the Brown Scalloped Seal, are also printed on the same silk line paper as the U. S. Notes, Series of 1880.
5. All the counterfeit National Bank Bills bear the small Red Pointed Seal, except the several Photographs and the Pittsburgh, Pa., ioo's, the latter are of the series of 1875, and have the Red Scolloped Seal; and except also the Norwalk, Conn., 5's, and the Cincinnati, O., Io's, both of which are of the series of 1882, and have the brown back and brown Scalloped Seal.
6. All the new issues, Series of 1882, having brown backs, and bearing the Brown Scalloped Seal on the face, can be handled with entire freedom from suspicion; ;excepting the photographs, and excepting also the Norwalk, Conn., 5 's and the Cincinnati, O., Io's.

## SILVER CERTIFICATES.

7. Of Series 1880, having the Large Brown Seals, the only dangerous counterfeits are on the $\$ 20$ issue.
8. All Silver Certificates of Series 1886 have a small red plain bordered seal, or the large Reddish Seal bordered with lathe-work points, and all bills having those seals are free from suspicion, except the $\$ 1, \$ 2$ and $\$ 5$ certificates, and all these counterfeits have the small seal. No gold certificates of any kind are yet counterfeited.
9. The Check-letters, A B C D, etc., referred to in the body of this Detector, are all printed in black on the face of the U. S. Notes and National Bank Bills, as well as on the Dominion of Canada Bills.
10. The Dufferin issue of the Dominion of Canada One and Two Dollar Bills have the following distinctive features on the back and face: Those made payable on the back at Toronto, have red; Montreal, blue; St. John, black; and Halifax, green figures on the face. The late issues of the Dominion One, Two and Four Dollar Bills have not the above distinctive features.

# COUNTERFEITS OF COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES AND U. S. BONDS. 

$\$ 10$Cnmpound Interest Note. Act of June 30, 1864-October 15, 1864. Letter C. Number 198380. Photograph, of the brownish color of old fading photographic work.

| Letter, | DATE. | [ iptured. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C | July 15, 1864 | Ay, 1866 |
| 1 | May 15, 1865 | July, 1866 |
| C | July 15, 1865 | A pril, 1866. |
| 13 | May 10, 1865 | March, 186 |

$\$ 1000$ Series of 1881 . U. S. Bonds. Sixes of 1881. Exceedingly dangerous, well-executed counterfeit. Handle all $\$ 1,000$ U.S. Bonds, of Acts July 17 th and August 5th, 1861 , with greatest eare. The genuine vary in size. Counterfeits seen bear only coupons maturing Jan. 1, 1881. On counterfeit, in the $\$ 1,000$ counter of nine sections, each side, portrait of Chase in the section at left of lower ball of the flgure 1 in 1,000 , the letters in "Stat" is entire. In the genuine only the upper half of the $S$ is seen. The hair line around por$\mathfrak{c}=$ aic on counierfeft shows a break of 1-18 of an inch. Counterfeit differs from genuine in mitreing of four corners of green border. In title, "United States of America," ruled sinade left side spur of letter " $U$ " in counterfeit are seven short lincs, forming slight shade under that part of the Letter. On genuine are ten lines. The signaturo on lower right hand of counterfeit engraved, printed in grayishcolored ink, traced over with pen and ink. Signature of genuine written.
\$1000 7-30 United States Bonds. Very dangerous. Matured. Interest ceased. Outstanding total of genuine very small. Best decline all. The Treasury Department redcemed $\$ 90,000$ of these counterfeit bonds belore their character was discovered.
\$1000 5-20 of 1882. Fourth series. One of the best specimens of counterfeiting work ever made. It is believed 20 wrinting was ever done from the plate which was mado.

## Genuine Bills and their Eounterfeits,

## HOW GENUINE BILLS ARE PRINTED.

The United States Government prints all the paper money of the nation, from plates generally made four in a set and lettered respectively $A$, or $B$, or $C$, or $D$, in a few cases certain banks have been supplied with bills lettered respectively $E$, or $F$, or $G$, or H. These are called "check letters" and appear in various places upon the face of notes or bills according to their issue and denomination.

## HOW COUNTERFEITS ARE PRODUCED.

When making counterfeits of paper money by use of engraved plates, the counterfeiter produces but one plate upon which he copies but one bill of one check letter of the genuine set. Counterfeiters seldom use the same plate on two or more check letters of the same denomination of bills of the same national bank, but when the counterfeit has become notorious they change the issue, inserting, by the use of "skeleton plates," extra title lines, coats of arms, and other changeable pieces, the name of another and unsuspected bank not always in the same State as the first, upon which no counterfeit of that denomination has yet appeared.

Whenever a counterfeit (not a photograph, lithograph, acid etching, or penmade bill), of any National Bank bill appears, the genuine, which has been counterfeited, rapidly disappears from circulation.

All National Bank bills, or imitations of the same, of the denomination, letter and date noted in the List of Counterfeits given in "Dye's Government Counterfeit Detector" should be refused, unless proved good by reference to the conclusive Points of Detection published in the same book.

## CHARTER NUMBER OF GENUINE.

On all National Bank bills, old or new, issued through the United States Treasury since 1874, and previous to the bills of new designs issued in 1882, the charter number of the bank of issue only appears in the largest of the figures upon the face of the bill; across the left end of the same and lengthwise at the right end ; and thus a few of the old bills bear no charter number as they have not been through the Treasury since 1874. On all genuine National Bank bills the charter number will be the same as the figures to the right of the name of the bank in the List of Counterfeits; if these numbers differ refuse the bill; if they are the same the bill may be counterfeit.

## BILLS EXEMPT FROM SUSPICION.

All the counterfeits of the One Dollar bills of National Banks, are imitations of the issue of a bank in one State (Mass.); all of the twos in three States (N. Y., R, I., Penna.) ; all of the FIVes in eight States (Ill., Mass., Conn., Mich., N. Y., Pa., Vt., Wis.) ; all of the Tens in four States (N. Y., Ind., O., Penna.); all of the twenties in four States (N. Y., Conn., Penna., Ind.) ; all of the fipties in one State (N. Y.) ; all Hundreds in five States (N. Y., Mass., Penna., Ohio, Md).

Thus it is evident that the National Bank bills of nearly three-fourths of the United States are entirely exempt from suspicion, and may be taken in perfect confidence the instant the name of the State or its coat of arms can be seen upon a bill. Still further, all fifties of National Banks in the United States are exempt from suspicion, except those of two cities (N. Y. and Buffalo) in one State (N. Y.) ; and the fifties of all National Banks in Buffalo are exempt from suspicion, except those of one bank (the Third National), and of these, all are exempt except those bearing the check letter A-and so on discriminatingly. See aiso point 5, page 35.

## THE PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESSES.

By the "old" photographic process used in producing counterfeit bills and notes, the seal and numbers (unless previousig removed), as well as the whole of the back of the note, were copied and appeared in black on the photograph. These were then tinted with pens and brushes by hand in attempted imitation of the colors of the genuine. On counterfeits thus produced, the black can be seen under the tint, which, on the seal, is blotted and covers the white lines that appear in the genuine. The numbering is also blurred with color and the tinting on the back of the note is $\ddagger$ badly done and often incomplete. The only plate used in this process is the ordinary glass "negative," and the printing is done by sunlight on "sensitized" paper. Of course the same number will be shown on all copies from the same negative; but as a negative of any note can be made in a few minutes the detection of photographic counterfeits depends upon a critical observation of their character and appearance. There are various photographic processes known to counterfeiters, from some of which danger is to be apprehended; but the black part of all notes printed from "negative plates" by sunlight, may be removed by a solution of cyanide of potassium, and unless perfectly new is off color, and shows the reddish brown peculiar to faded photographs.

By the "new" photographic process used for producing counterfeits oi bills and notes, the seal and numbers and the color work on the back, whether pink, carmine, chocolate, or green, are first entirely removed from the note to be imitated. All but the back having been washed out of the note a negative of the same is taken and from that photographs are printed by sunlight on "sensitized" paper. To produce the color work on these photographs an engraved cut or plate of the seal and the tinted part of back is used and the tints are clearly "surface printed." in their places. The numbers are also printed in colors from separate engraved figures used in combination and changeable, so that unlike the numbers photographed and then tinted by hand in the old process, these figures are well done and run in a series. This "new" process is far more dangerous than the "old."

## OFFICIAL LIST

OF

## UNITED STATES COINS.

## Historical, Descriptive and Statistical ; compiled expressly for Dye's Government Counterfeit Detector; to which has been added a full account and description of all dangerous Counterfecits and mutilations of the same.

## LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES.

bnalty for fraudulently defacing, mutilating, impairing, diminishing, or lightening gold or silver coin of the United States, or any foreign countries, made current in the United States by law-
I'hat, if any person shall frauduently, by any art, way, or means whatsoever, deface, mutilate impair, diminish, falsify, seaie, or lighten the goid or silver coins which have been, or shail hereafter be coined at the Mints of the United States, or any foreign gold or silver coins whieh are by ian mado current, or are in actual use and eireulation as money within the United States, every person so offending shail be docmed guilty of a high misdemeanor, and shall bo imprisoned not exceeding two years, and fined not cxceeding two thousand dollars.

Penalty for making or uttering coin in resemblance of money.
Every yerson who, except as authorized by law, makes or causes to be made, or utters or passes or attempts to utter or pass, any coin of goid or silver or other metal, or alloys of metais, intended for the use and purpose of current inoney, whether in the resemblance of coins of the United States or of foreign countrios or of originai desirn, shail be punished by a fine of not more than three thousand doliars or by imprisonment not more than five years, or both.

## COUNTERFEITS OF COINS.

Coumterfeits of Coin are mostiy of one of the two foliowing kinds: 1st. Pieces struck in steel of Cher dies: 2nd. Pieces cast in plaster of paris or other molds, or formed in the sanie by electrical ceposition of metals.

The first ciass of counterfeits of coln; those produced by means of dies, are some times in appearence fac similes of the genuine; being struck from authentic legal dies which have been stolen; as far as known, this applies only to imitations of foreign coin. In dies which have been felonionsly mdoe or the purpose of producing counterfeits, there are variations to a greater or less derree from the oririnal, sufficient, except in a few rare instances, to at onee cause the detection oftio pieces struck in them, when the same are carefully compared with a genuine coin or a fac simile of the type and varicty imitated.

The material generally used in the colnage of such counterfeits of gold coin as are struck in dios, is a debased compound of sliver and gold. For counterfeits of silver coin, nade in a die, the material generaily used is sifver debased by an undue alloy of copper. To these base pieces, a good external color is given, by serubbing them Fith aqua ammonia, or by boiling them in dilute sulphurie aeid, or some other kind of "pickle." In this process, the liquid menstruum dissolves the copper with which it comes in contact, and leaves a surface of fine silver. Counterfeits, thus made and finished, present a fine appearanee, and have a sonorous ring very nearly resembing that of the genuinecoin. Tincomposition of gold and copper, or silver and copper, used in the various coun terfeits of coin ranges from $150-1000$ tis to $750-1000$ tins fine, while the standard goid and sifer eoins of several principal nations are $900-1000$ ths fino. Uniess very thorougiily piekled, counterfeits of a low grade wili, when rubbed, show by the color exposed, their excess oi copper; or they may be detceted
l' by the reguiar tests, as given in this articio hereafter. To the composition of the counterfeits of silver coin, different metais, zine, tin, niekel, \&e., \&c., are sometimes added to improve the coior. The richer the motal of any counterfeit coin, the more difficuit it is to distinguish the came from the genuine. To detect the best counterfoits of coin, requiresa eareful examination and ciosecomparison of the impress of the dio with the genuine. Counterfeits, made of tho eompositions deseribed, are necessarily too iarge or too iigint and the moro alloyed with eopper, the lighter they must bo aecording to their size. The cause of this is the excess in gravity of goid and silver over eopper In goid. the disparity of its gravity with copper is so great as to bo most obvious. Standard sifver $1900-1000$ the fine), compared with distilled water, inas a gravity of $10-30$, while that of copper is but 8.80 . By aseertaining the speciflo gravity of a sonorous coin, the amount of gold or silver it contains may be learned very nearly. The precise method of aseertaining tho amount of precions metal contained in a coin, is by chemical assay; though an approximate estinato of tho same maybo obtained by fusing a part of tho coin under tie flamo of $a$ biow pipe: by which, most of tho base metal in ailoy is dissipated. Tio foregoing observations appiy to most oases, nevertheless, so familiar havo counterfeiters mado themseives with the seieneo of metallurgy, that they have produced dangerous counterfeits of both gold and silver coin, of base motais, yet very neariy or exactiy tho size and welglit of the genuino.

Goid colns are sawed asunder and the interior removed, the cavity being then filled with less costiy matorial; somotimos thoy aro borod from the odges, and tho holes afterwards piugged with cheap eomposition. Ail kinds of coins of the precious metals are disionestiy bored, filied, elipped, sweated, abraded and mado ligit; tho eriminal operator finding a pront in the considerable portion of buifion tius romoved from the eeveral pieces.

The sceond ciass of counterfeits of coin, those cast in piastor of paris or other molds, or formed In tho samo by eicetrical deposition of metals, aro usuaily vory good fac similo representations of the coins used as patterns in the process of their manufacture. The metals from which counterfeits of coins aro cast, aro various, such as platinum, silvor, copjer, tin, iron, brass, bronze, niekei, yinc, ontimony, bisinuti, \&e., in different forms of coinposition. The more common varicties of this ciaik of countorfoits, aro made as follows: A compiete cast of a genuine coin is taken, in piaster of paris, aftor the mothod used in the art of storcotyping, to make a moid. The plaster of paris moid is then moderately baked and filied with phatever base composition is to be used, in a melted state. When


#### Abstract

the meial casc nocomes sufficlently cool, the mold is taken apart, the casting is removed, and if gound and perfect, finished upand, in general, washell in a solution of silver or electroplated with the samo metal. These counterfeits are usunlly under weight, and belng too soft, lack the sonorous ring found in the denser inetal of tho genuine coln.

For tio last few decades, the more scientific counterfeiters have becn enabled to make effective use of the electro-galvanic current for the deposition of metals in producing counterfeits of coin. In this process, a matrix is first prepared, by pressing the side of a perfert genuinc coin, into lead, or sone other soft metal; the same being, perhaps, in a semi fluid state of fusion at the instant. Upod the interior surface of the matrix this formed, a uniform electro deposit of eopper is made, which, ir the manner woll known to elcetrotrypers and those famllar with the action of the electric current adapts itself to evcry fcature of the type or varlety in the matrix. When the deposit has been made sufficiently thick, the battery is stopped and the disk produced removed, finished and polished. One plece is made for the obverse and one for the reverse of the coin, and these are brazed or soldered torether, and the elgos finished to imitate the genuine. Otherwise, the counterfelt is deposited ontire. Last, the copper picce imitations are electroplated with sifiver, when they aro ready fos clrculation. Tho countcrfeits of coin made $\ln$ this way are usually considerably lighter than the genuine, and though of good color, show the fine lines of tho device, letterlng, \&c., rounded ano indistinct; moreover, a slight scratch or a little abrasion and wear removes the silver surface exposing the copper.


## GOLD AND SILVER COINS.

## All Mutilated Coins are uncurrent. Foreign Coins"are not a lesal tender.

R. S.-'Sec. 3585. The gold coins of the United States shall be a legal tender in all payments at their nominal value, when not below the standard weight and limit of tolerance provided by law for the single piece, and, when reduced in weight below such standard and tolerance, shall be a legal tender at valuation, in proportion to their actual weight." "Sec. 3505. Any gold coins of the United States, if reduced in weight by natural abrasion not more than one-half of one per centum below the standard weight prescribed by law, after a circulation of twenty years, as shown by the date of coinage, and at a ratable proportion for any period less than twenty years, shall be received at their nominal value by the United States Treasury, and its offices, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe for the protection of the Government against fraudulent abrasion or other practices."
Silver dollars (except the trade dollar) are unlimited legal tender. Silver half dollars, quarter dollars and dimes, since 1879, are a legal tender when offered in sums not exceeding ten dollars. There is no allowance for abrasion or wear; silver coins must be of coinage weight. Silver twenty-cent pieces, half dimes and three-cent pieces, though their coinage is discontinued, are yet a legal tender
All fractional silver coins and also minor coins, if not mutilated, will be exchanged into lawful money by the U. S. Treasurer or any Assistant-Treasurer, if presented in sums or multiples of $\$ 20$ : the Treasury Circular also states that reduction by natural abrasion is not considered mutilation. Mutilated U. S. silver coins, when exceeding the amount of three dollars, will be purchased at the Mints as silver bullion at market price of same.

## HOW TO DETECT BASE COINS AND COUNTERFEITS.

Coin is tested by its weight, dimensions, appearance, ring and quality of metal. The scale and gauge give the two first; the third is taken by comparison; the last. except in coins of platinum, is to be ascertained by the use of the United States Mint Fluid Coin Tests, constantly used in the United States Mint, and formulas for which are printed herein and on the back of the receipts given to subscribers for Dye's Government Counterfeit Detector.
To detect base pieces, or counterfeits of standard coins, compare their weight, size, impress, device, color, reeding, ring and general appearance with that of the genuine of the same period and coinage. To further test the piece, if necessary, prick its edge with a knife; if metal is discovered not the color of the genuine the piece is fraudulent or counterfeit. Witl most people the ring of a coin is a very critical test, provided the coin is balanced upon the end of the finger and struck by another good coin on the surface near the edge; as with some of the counterfeits simply a ring on the counter will not detect them; and, there are also exceptions even in the ring of genuine coins, as the ring may be dead because the planchets were cracked or flawed when being made. To all suspected coina, seeming to be genuine, apply the acid tests, using, of course, for gold coins the gold fluid test, and for silver coins the silver fluid test, taking care to have a clean surface and to touch the worn corner of the edge of the coin, or if very heavily plated reach the body of the piece through a little cut; if the metal exposed is discolored by the chemical action the coin is base or counterfeit. Upon standard or genuine metal the respective fluid test described has no observable effect; but gold or silver of a low grade is soon discolored, and base metal at once made black by its action when properly applied. The fluid test, however, has no effect upon platinum.

## Double Eagle.- $\$ 20$.

Authorized to be coined, act of Marelı 3, 1849. Weight, 516 grains; fineness, 900 . Deviation in weight allowed in eoinage, .5 of a grain. Deviation in fineness allowed in assay, .001 ; lowest, .899 ; highest, . 901 . Coinage commeneed, 1850. Unless artifieially reduced in weight, should continue eurrent for fifty years from date of eoinage. Allowance for natural abrasion, 2.58 grains. Least legally current weight, 513.42 grains. For total amount eoined, see page as per index.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE DOUBLE EAGLE.

The Double Eagle of the United States is a broad thick eoin, and has, therefore, been tampered with to make a false piece, which Treasury experts deelare: "the worst fraud we have to deal with." To effeet this, the double eagle is sawed from the edge into two or three parts, leaving the obverse and reverse with all their impressions and inseriptions untouched. The eentral part is removed by the saw or turning tool, to the value of about $\$ 15$, and the eavity filled nearly to the edge of the pieee and to the origiual thiekness, with platinum, a very heavy metal, about one-third the value of fine gold. 4 The edge of the disk of platinum is then eovered in by a soldered rim of gold ; the whole eoin thus presenting a genuine surfuee and being almost without fault as to reight, diameter, thiekness and ring. The edge is at last quite perfectly renewed by use of a "nurling maeline," and the spurious pieee is ready for frandulent eireulation. What with the two genuine outsides; the false inside; the new ribbed rim and the solder, there are present no less than four separate pieces and five distinct metals, all joined together with suel nieety, that unless put carefully on their guard, none but an expert can tell the spoiled eoin from the perfeet genuine piece. This method of degradation has been used, not only on double eagles, but, as is more remarkable, on eagles, half eagles, British sovereigns, and even quarter eagles. The platinum filling is sometimes alloyed with silver. The most notieeable defect of this kind of false eoin is that-The "ring" is not perfect.

Experts also bore deep holes in the edges of the double eagle, drilling out about seren dollars' worth of gold. The holes are then nearly filled with eleap composition and the opening soldered up with gold. Reeding nieely fixed over. The "ring" of the piece is aluost destroyed.

Counterfeits of the Double Eagle hare been made from gold exeessirely alloved with eopper, the surface being gilded or eleetroplated with gold of standard fineness. The picees thus produced are either too light or too large, and the color of the surfaee, espeeially when worn, is not the same as that of the genuine. Suelr pieees are not as dangerous as the filled coins.

The dates of the eounterfeits of the double eagle are as follows:
1850 - Weight, 360 grains, or 156 grains light. Gold fineness, about .500 .
1880-Weight, 296 grains; composition metal gold plated. A very poor coin.

## Eagle.-\$10.

Authorized to be coined, aet of April 2, 1792. Weight, 270 grains; fineness, $.916 \frac{2}{3}$. Deviation in weight allowed in eoinage, 5 of a grain. Deviation in fineness allowed in assay, .001 ; lowest, .899 ; highest, .901 . Coinage eommeneed, 1795. Weight ehanged aet of June 2S, 1834, to 258 grains. Fineness elianged aet of Jume 28,1834 , to $.899,225$. Fineness ehanged aet of January 18, 1837, to 900 . Unless artifieially redueed in weight, should continue eurrent for thirty-five years from date of eoinage. Allowanee for natural abrasiou, 1.29 grains. Least legally eurrent weight, 256.71 grains.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE EAGLE.

There are numerous eonnterfeits of the eagle, either cast of base metal in a mold and gilded, uade of gold exeessively alloyed with copper or other metals, and surfaee gilded or washed, or strnek of platimm or other metal in a die, and then plated with gold of standard fineness. There are also many pieces of this denomination which have been filled or ot herwise made lyy the same processes used upou the domble eagles and half eagles herein deseribed. The eagles coined before 1805 were exteusively counterfeited, but speeimens of that false issue are rare at this time. From 1805 to 1837 , inclusive, no eagles were eoined for cireulation.

The dates of the counterfeits of the Eagle are as follows:
Dates prior to 1805 extensively counterfeited.
1841-Weight, 235.2 grains, or 22.8 grains light weight. Mint mark, 0 .
1847-Weight, 252 grains; a good counterfeit. New Orleans mint mark, 0.
1849-Weight, 228 grains; gold excessively alloyed with other metals.
1855-Weight, 265 grains, platinum heavily gold plated. The acid tast has no effect upon platinum, but the light color of the inside metal is easily seen if the edge of the coin is a little worn.
1861-Weight, 154 grains, or 104 grains light; coin gold plated.
1877-Weight, 178 grains; plated coin, thicker than the genuine, and has on it letter S, in imitation of the San Francisco mintage.
1879-Weight, 165 grains: plated coin, the inside metal is like type metal, and which has on it sharp impressions, but the plating fails to adhere to it properly, as the whole plating can be easily peeled off or removed.
1880-Weight, 150 grains; composition metal gold plated. Letter S.
1881-A plated coin, date 1881 and light in weight.

## Half Eagle.-\$5.

Authorized to be coined, act of April 2, 1792. Weight, 135 grains ; fineness, $916 \frac{2}{3}$. Deviation in weight allowed in coinage, .25 of a grain. Deviation in fineness allowed in assay, 001 ; lowest, . 899 ; highcst, . 901 . Coinage commenced, 1795. Wcight changed, act of June 28, 1834, to 129 grains. Finencss changed, act of Jme 28, 1834, to . $899,22 \cdot 5$. Fineness changed, act of Jinuary 18, 1837, to 900 . Unless artificially reduced in weight, should continuc current for twenty years from date of coinage. Allowance for natural abrasion, 64 of a grain. Lcast legally current weight, 128.36 grains.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE HALF EAGLE.

There are numerous conntcrfeits of the half eagle, made in the same way as those of the eagle, and many pieces of this denomination have been filled or otherwise made by the same processes used upon the double earle and eaglc, already described. One piecea half eagle of date 1844 with silver filling-weighed just 129 grains. Its gold part weighed $84 \frac{1}{2}$ grains and was .915 fine; valne of gold, $\$ 3.30$. Its inside silver planchet weighed 44 grains and was .897 fine; whole value, $\$ 3.40$. This same class of half eagles of other dates-1845, 1847, etc.-have been found in some cases to weigh 10 or 12 grains under weight, and in some cases a little over weight; one piece had the obverse gold planchet .902 fine, and the reverse one $.901 \frac{1}{4}$ fine. These coins of silver filling have the inside silver planchet made of a little less than the proper diameter of the coin; so that, after the silver and the two gold planchets are soldered together, the projecting rim of one of the gold plates is bent up to meet the other gold one of correct diameter, and thus it forms the edge of the coin, and making the whole coin of right diameter, when the same is then finished by a blow in a coining-press, and the effect of the blow is visible on the silver planchet. Thesc coins have also about as good a general appearance in every way as the gennine; though rather a dull sound in ringing, but not as if flawed; and where their weight is kept up they are a little thicker than the genuine: There are also half eagles and other denominations of gold coin with a different filling, done in different ways. Some are filled with platinum and are excecdingly dangerous, being of good ring and of the same weight, diameter, and thickness of the genuine coin; snch are of later dates, by about fifteen years or more, than the picces with silver filling just mentioned.

Numerous other counterfeits of the half eagle arc struck in well-executed dies, with weight correct, or very nearly so. They are dangerous when new ; but if somewhat worn on the edges, they will show the platinum or other metal underneath the plating, while a number of the counterfeits do not vary sufficiently from the genuinc to be detected by any of the gauge-scales or "coin detectors" which ignorant or unprincipled dealcrs advertise as "entirely reliable" and "affording complete protection against counterfeit coin." Those half eagles composed of gold excessively alloyed with copper or other mctals will vary from about .500 to .500 fine. One of the latter kind, weighing 67.27 grains, was sent to the director of the Mint for assay, and the composition was found to be gold 493.7 fine, and silver 238 fine, the mixture being alloyed with tin and copper, the value of the precious metals being $\$ 1.37$. These coins, however, can easily be detected by hand alone, even in the dark, as such are 63.73 grains, light weight. Those counterfeit half eagles of .800 gold fineness are very deceptive coins ; they stain but slightly when tested by the acid test, but such coins nevertheless contain over $\$ 4$ worth of gold.t.

The dates of the counterfeits of the Half-eagle are as follows:

## Some dates prior to 1821 are also counterfeited.

1821-Eight grains light weight, and also larger in diameter and thicker than genuinee coin. In head of Liberty, chin very long. In the word United the capital $\mathbf{N}$ is reversed, thus, $\boldsymbol{H}$. Intrinsic value of metal, about half that of genuine.
1834-Gold excessively alloyed with copper and other metals; a little light in weight.
1837-Base metal gold plated; about 50 grains light.
1838-Weight, 125 grains, or 4 grains light. Gold value, $\$ 2.75$.
1839-Base metal gold plated; very light weight.
1843-Brass gilt ; well executed but very light. Dahlonega, Ga., Mint mark, D.
Also, one of mint mark O; a heavily-plated struck piece, 49를 grains light.
1844-Platinum, gold plated. No mint mark. Very dangerous if plating is not worn. Counterfeits about 5 grains too light. Some $\frac{1}{2}$ grain too heary.
1844-Weight, 128.9 grains; specific gravity, 15.9, gennine are about 17.20, gold fineness, $805 \frac{5}{2}$; silver, 23 ;-value, $\$ 4.47$. Reeding faulty but very fair; color good, a trifle yellowish. Examined and assayed at the Philadelphia mint.
1845-Value of metal, about $\frac{2}{3}$ of the face value; a good counterfeit, but light weight.
1847 Platinum gold plated; weight same as genuine; ring good; very dangerous until
1848 worn, when they show the platinum on the edges. The acid test has no effect
1851, 1853 ) Gold excessivly alloyed with copper and other metals; all light weight
1855, 1857
from 4 to 14 grains.
1858, 1860
1856-No mint mark ; fineness, 704 ; value, $\$ 3.85$; a trifle light weight ; reeded edge excellent; copper and silver as alloy
1861-Plating thin, no mint mark in imitation of the Pliladelphia mintage; light weight, but a well cast piece.
1862-Gold fineness, 762 ; a little light in weight.
1869-Platinum well plated with gold; struck piece, and of size and weight nearly correct. Very dangerous when new.
1872-No mint mark. Fineness, 848. Weight, 128.8 grains. Value of gold, \$4.70. A very fine counterfeit everyway. Reeding is of as good if not a better quality of work than genuine, though of a less number of reeds than is usual. Coin a trifle large in diameter, more convex on the surface, and a very little off color. Ring good.
$1872\}$ Gold excessively alloyed; coins a few grains underweight ${ }^{*}$
1875 \}
1880 Cast pieces and gilded; weight, but 60.6 grains; proper diameter, but thickness $1881\}$ greater.
1881-Brassy color and weighs 76.5 grains.
1881-No mint mark. Weight, 127.4 grains; specific gravity, 16.3 ; 8-thousandths of an inch too thick; gold fineness, about 800 ; value of gold, about $\$ 4.38$; a struck piece, with reeding irregular; raised edge, or milling very slightly done; some with dimly struck impressions serving the idea of a worn coin, and these coins stain slightly under the acid test. Similar coins of this date, assayed at the Philadelphia mint, proved to be of gold fineness, 798 ; copper, 153 ; silver, 38 ; platinum. 11; value, $\$ 4.43$; specific gravity, 16 ; weight, 128.7 grains, or .3 of a grain below the standard weight.

1882-Similar to those of 1881, but the reeding, milling, etc., well executed ; fineness, about 800 .
1882-No mint mark; a plated piece; weight, 103 grains ; too thick ; coin looks Well when new, and on some the reeding is very good.
1885-No mint mark. It is said to have been struck up in a die; it has a good appearance, but is light weight.

## Three Dollar Piece.-\$3.

Authorized to be coined, act of February 21, 1853. Weight, 77.4 grains; fineness, 900 . Deviation in weight allowed in coinage, 25 of a grain. Deviation 11 fineness allowed in assay, $.001 ;$ lowest, .899 ; highest, .901 . Coinage commenced, 1854. Unless artificially reduced in weight, should continue current for fifteen years from date of coinage. Allowance for natural abrasion, . 38 of a grain. Least legally current weight, 77.02 grains.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE THREE DOLLAR PIECE.

The coinage of three dollar pieces has been, as may be noted, quite limited, yct this denomination of gold coin hats been considerably comnterfeited, the false coin being struck in a die from base metal, and so perfectly execnted as to be dangerons. In color this commterfeit is a close imitation of standard gold, and a careful comparison of the general appearance and device of the false piece with that of the genume coin is necessary to detect the difference between them. Genuine three dollar pieces are sometimes swediged with frandulent intent between plates of copper imtil of the diameter of the half eagle, when, the device and general appearance of the pieces being well preserved, they are placed in rolls among half eagles, and, meses detected, pass for five dollars.

To detect commerfeits of the three dollar piece use the regular tests given under the head of Tests for Coin, as directed in the paragraph entitled Llow to Detect Base Gold Cons and Counteretits.

## Quarter Eagle. $\mathbf{\$ 2}$ 2.

 Deviation of weight allowed in coinage, .25 of a grain. Deviation of fineness allowed in assay, .001 ; lowest, .899 ; highest, .201 . Coinage commenced, 1796 . Weight clanged, act of June 28, 1834, to 64.5 grains. Fineness changed, act of June 28, 1834, to $.899,225$. Fineness changed, act of Jamary 18,1837 , to .900 . Unless artificially reduced in weight, should continue current for fifteen years from date of coinage. Allowance for natural abrasion, .32 of a grain. Least legally current weight, 64.18 grains.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE QUARTER EAGLE.

There are numerons counterfeits of the quarter eagle, made in the same way as those of the eagle, and even quarter eagle pieces have been filled or otherwise made by the same processes used upon the donble eagle and half eagle already described. Quarter eagle filled pieces of date 1843 weigh from 1 to 9 grains light; one piece was a little over weight. Such have on them the letter O, which represents the Mint-mark of the New Orleans Mint.

The dates of the counterfeits of the Quarter-eagle are as follows:
1843 Heavily-plated pieces, about 22 grains light.
1844 \}
1846-No mint mark. Weight, 48 grains instead of $64 \frac{1}{2}$ grains; copper and silver; heavily gilt.
1851-Weight, 61 grains, or $3 \frac{1}{2}$ grains light. The nose of the Goddess of Liberty is very different from that on the genuine coin.
1852-Gold excessively alloyed with other metals. A little light weight.
1853-Weight, $42 \frac{1}{2}$ grains. No mint mark.
1856-Below standard fineness, and light weight by a few grains.
1858-Plated piece. No mint mark. Weight, 45.9 grains.
1858 -Brass. No mint mark. Well struck piece, but 25 grains too light and of brassy color.
1861-Weight, 42 grains; heavily gold plated.
1862-Platinum heavily gold plated; full weight and very dangerous unless coin is worn, thus exposing the grey metal especially on the edges.
1866-Poor coin ; fair weight; letters "s" in States reversed.
1874-Gold, excessively alloyed with copper or other metal. Reeding irregular. Coins about 25 grains too light.
1879-Weight, $51 \frac{1}{2}$ grains; good appearance but no ring.

## The Gold Dollar.- $\$ 1$.

Authorized to be coined, act of March 3, 1849. Weight, 25.8 grains ; fineness, 900 . Deviation in weight allowed in coinage, 25 of a grain. Deviation in fineness allowed in assay, .001 ; lowest, .899 ; highest, .901 . Coinage commenced, 1849. Unless artificially reduced in weight, should continne current for about thirteen years from date of coinage. Allowance for natural abrasion, only . 13 of a grain. Least legally. current weight, 25.55 grains.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE GOLD DOLLAR.

The Gold Dollar, of 1849, was .5 of - $\eta$ inch in diameter, and .025 of an inch thick, and coined up to 1854. Counterfeits of the $\xi$ dollars since 1854 (new pattern) are . 55 d dollars of the first pattern are numerous. Gold of an inch in diameter and .018 of an inch thick.

The dates of the counterfeits of the gold dollar are as follows:
〔851, 1852, $1853.1854,1856,1857,186]$.
Those of date 1854, plated pieces old pattern, and with no mint mark; wer 14.2 grains, 15.8 grains and 16.9 grains, instead of 25.8 grains; a fair sampl in weight of the counterfeit dollars of nearly all the dates.

## U. S. MINT TEST FOR GOLD COIN.

## Strong Nitric Acid 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ drachms.

Muriatic Acid $\frac{1}{6}$ drachm, or 10 m . or drops.
Fure Water $1 \frac{2}{3}$ drachm, or 100 m .

## TEST FOR SILVER COIN.

Nitrate of Silver 24 grains.
Nitric Acid 10 m . or drops.
Water 1. ounce.
Observe the action of a drop of the fluid test on genuine coin. If the counterSeit coin is heavily plated and not worn scrape the edge before applying the test, then if the coin is of base metal it will at once turn black. See page 39.

For convenience use the regular coin test bottle of hollow stopple, or one having the glass stopple sharp pointed and reaching far down into the bottle. Any Druggist can prepare the compounds at a trifling expense to the purchaser.


## TOTAL MONEY CIRCULATION.

(ExClusive of minor coin.)
For July 1, 1889. (the figures are taken from Report of the Director of the Mint \&c.) the total amounts and the different kinds of U. S. money In the United States with the ownership and locatlon of same are shown as follows:-

|  | Total in <br> U.S.Treas. | In U. S. Treasury. Net Uash. | In Natlonal Banks | $\|$In Other <br> Banks and in <br> General <br> Oirculation. | Total Money. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gold Coln ...... | \$237,586,792 | 120,456,583 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}82.651,810\end{array}\right.$ | $\{293,829,95 \mathrm{~S}$ | \$ $614,088,380$ |
| " Certificates........... | 36,918,323 |  | $\{69,517,790$ | $\{47,812,439$ |  |
| Gold Bullion in Treasury... | $65.995,145$ | $85,995,145$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 65,995,145 \\ 333,502,650 \end{array}$ |
| Silver Dollars................... | 279,045,351 | 21,889,786 | $\left\{\begin{array}{c}6 \\ 786,730\end{array}\right.$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{r}47,870,569 \\ 246\end{array}\right.$ | $333,502,850$ |
| '6 Certificates........... | $5,474,181$ $-25,124,672$ | 25,124,672 | $\left\{\begin{array}{r}12,452057 \\ 4,495,881\end{array}\right.$ | $244,703,508$ $46,981,483$ | $\ddot{7} 6,001,8 \ddot{8} 8$ |
| Subsidiary Silver........... Silver Bullion in Treasury. | $25,124,672$ 10,444443 | $25,124,672$ $10,444.443$ | 4,495,881 | 46,981,483 | $\begin{aligned} & 76,601,838 \\ & 10,444,43 \end{aligned}$ |
| Legal Tender Notos....... | 4-',196,825 | 30,2-11,825 | $\{97,456,832$ | $202,027,359$ | 346,081,016 |
| Certlicates of Deposit | 240,000 |  | \{ 16,955,000 |  |  |
| Old Demand Notes.... National |  |  |  | 56,442 505,048 | $\begin{array}{r} 56,442 \\ 211.378,983 \end{array}$ |
| Fractional Paper Currency. |  |  |  |  | 6,918,890 |
| Total. | \$712,184,082 | \$278.310,76t | \$318.031,28i | \$1,062,356,804 | \$1,885, 645,545 |

In the above total amount ol money, a certain amount of same ls kept from actual clrculation and held as security for the above-montioned notes; and just in the case of the legal tender notes, $\$ 100,000,000$ of coln is thus held in the Treasury by the Government.

## Standard Silver Dollar.

Authorized to be coined, act of April 2, 1792,. Weight, $416{ }^{\circ}$ grains; fineness, $892 \&^{\circ}$ 89-208. Deviation in weiglt allowed in coinage, 1.5 grain. Deviation in finencess allowed in assay, 003 ; lowest, .897 ; highest, . 903 . Coinage commenced, 1794. Wcight changed, act of January 18, 1837, to 412.5 grains. Fincness changed, act of January 18, 1837, to 900. Coinage discontinued, act of Fcbruary 12, 1873. Total amount coincd previous to act of February 12, 1873, $\$ 8,045,838$. Coinage re-authorized, act of February 28, 1878 ; a new pattern, but same wcight and fineness as dollars of 1837 and subscquent years For total amount coined see page as per index.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE STANDARD SILVER DOLLAR.

Various dates up to 1873 were counterfeited. They were generally composed of compound metal or brass, having a keen ring like glass, and unlcss silver plated and unused were of a brazen color, yet near the proper weight and specific gravity. Others of like dates were of white metal but not so perfect, being underweight or oversized.
All dates since 1878 are counterfeited. There are innumerable kinds and quantities of counterfeit dollars. Many white metal coins of these dates, nearly the kize of the genuine coin, have an excellent impress, good color, and fine general appearance when fresh from the mold; but very soon assuming a leaden spottcd color after being handled, unless well covered with silver. Most of these coins are from 95 to 125 grains too light, a light weight that can be rcadily detected by hand alone without the aid of scales. Some of them are of right size, others a little too thick to pass throngh the ordinary slots on gauges used for detecting the improper diameter and thickness of coins. Many of them plainly show the imperfections usual with molded coins, having spots of a rough sandea appearance, with figures and letters, with the centers of same filled up with the metal, or parts not clean cut like the impressions from a die, while numbers of them have the reeding poor and imperfect, and ring very bad. One dollar coin of date 1884, with no mint mark, weighs, however, 347 grains, or $65 \frac{1}{2}$ grains too light; it has a short, sharp ring, is a little too thick to pass through the ordinary gauges, and its reeding runs diagonally across its edge.. Those dollars made from German silver are very light weight, and if new are so heavily plated with silver as to resist the acid coin test, unless deeply scraped befnere applying the acid.

Dangerous dollars of date 1883 , no mint mark, weigh 360 grains, or about 50 grains too light; heavily plated with standard silver; fine general appearance in every way; have a fair ring; are about 260 fine or contain 15 or 20 cents of silver; the size is correct by the ordinary gauges.

Other dangerous dollars of date 1883 , no mint mark, are heavily plated, weigh $378 \frac{1}{2}$ grains, some only 30 grains too light; general appearance as good as genuine; specific gravitv 8.40 , genuine are 10.20 to 10.30 ; ring good on a counter, but not the true ring when balanced upon the finger. One dated 1884 is of same class of coin, weighing 375.4 grains. In size none of this class can be detected by the ordinary slots or gauges, though the counterfeits are a little too thick but not on the edge. Weigh, ring, or scrape and apply the acid test and pay little attention to dates as all are counterfeited.

A few molded dollars date 1882, no mint mark, weigh 460 grains, $47 \frac{1}{2}$ grains too much; for diameter they are a little too small; for thickness they will pass through ordinary gauges for same; thinly plated; ring poor.
Norsy - -lad silvee dollars or certan dates sommana nigh premiums, especially the foilowinywate 1794; obverse, protile of Liberty facing right; reverse. eagle in a wreath, and on the ects or coin, "one dollar or unit. . hundred cents." Date 1798; obverse, bust of Liberty facing rigit, Fith 13 or 15 stars; reverso, small sagle on clouds in a wreath. Date 1804 ; obverse, bust of Liberty facing rysht; reverse, national arms, etc. Late 1836-C. Gobrecht-stars on reverse: also 1830 and $1830-3 t a n$ on obverse oniy, obverse, Liberty seated facink riyht: reverse, Hying eagle. Datea 1851, 1852. 1854, 1858; obverse, Liberty' seated facing right: reverse, eagle standing, and withoar words"In God we trust." this motto was put on our coins only fince 1886. Aiterations of dates are numerous. Thus, 1850 and 1853 have been altered to 1851 and 1852. and 1801 changed to 1804,48 the iatter, if genulne, would probably be worth six or seven hund red dollars.
With dollars of 1878 , those with nine leaves on oilve branch, and eagle with 8 tail feathers have Deen represented to be worth anywhere from two to twelve doilars: but he act is thousands of them Were coined, though if euch coins are in good condition, uncirculated, they may be sold to those who want themfor about contspremium, and the same way with those coins of 1878 having but 8 feathers in oagle's - 1l. Those of 1878 are of uniform value with the coinage of succecding years, and all proofs, or ev uncirculated colns, are worth a small premium to chose who want them.
The coinage of tr illver Doilar began 1794, free coinage and a full legal tender, and up to 18w, gut $\$ 1,439,517$ of th. 6 plece had been coined. No more silver dollars were coined until 1836, whea $\$ 1000$ जerocoined. In 1838 only pattern pieces were coined. In 1839, $\$ 300$ were coined. In isf $\$ 1,005$ Fere coined, and tho colnage continued in moderate sums every yeal until 1858, whon th 3iver dull. 53 wise colned, unless proot pieces. Larger amounts werocoined the succeeding yean until 1873 , when the coinage was discontinued. Again re-authorized February 28, 1878, aE of legt meader to any amount, butbulion purchased at market rates and coipagg limiter, a new pettarn et



## Trade Dollar.

Authorized to be coined, aet of February 12, 1873. Weight, 420 grains; fineness, 900 . Deviation in weight allowed in coinage, 1.5 grain. Deriation in fineness allowed in assay, .003 ; lowest, . 897 ; highest, .903 , Only "proofs" were struek of date 1873. Coinage commeneed, 1874. Trade dollars are a legal coin but not now a legal tender. Demonetized July 22, 1876, and the Secretary authorized to limit the coinage thereof. Amount coined to close of fiscal year ended June 30, 1876, $\$ 15,418,450$. Coinage suspended by Seeretary of the Treasury, February 22, 1878. Total amount eoined to close of fiscal year ended June 30, 1878, $\$ 35,959360$. Proof pieces executed during the calendar year 1879, $\$ 1,541$, in 1880, $\$ 1,987$; and in 1881, $\$ 960$, etc., etc., up to 1884.

By Act of March 3. 1887, ard their value was then about 80 cents, they were redeemed dollar for dollar until Sept. 3, 1887. The amount so redeemed was $\$ 7,689,036$. Said Act then also repealing all laws for their coinage and issuance.

For present value. see coins and notes of the world, as per index COUNTERFEITS OF THE TRADE DOLLAR.
The Trade Dollar of all dates has been variously, repeatedly and extensively counterreited. They are mostly of type metal, and many were eirculated in the East Indies, China, Japan and other countries, and are usually from 95 to 130 grains light. Some of the counterfeits are of excellent ring and good general appearance, but very soon show the dark color after being liandled; and some have a smooth, greasy, or quieksilver feeling when rubbed between the thumb and fingers.

A few of the counterfeits weigh 417 grains, or only 3 grains too light. They are of silver exeessively allowed with other metals, and have a ring somewhat defeetive. Apply the acid test.
Note.-The trade dollar was authorized by act of Fcbruary 12, 1873, a legal coin of the United States, a legal tender in all sums not exceeding $\$ 5$, and the only silver dollar then authorized to be coined, as the standard dollar colnage was thereby repealed. At the time of the above authorizing act neither silver nor gold was in full use as money in the United States, unless west of the Rocky Mountains, where trade dollars were first put in circulation, the currency at other places being upon a paper basis. The gold dollar was then quoted here at about $\$ 1.14$, while a trade dollar would then Le worth as silver bullion about $\$ 1.16$, and would cost about $11 / 2$ cents to coin it; including coinage, and if quoted in gold at London price, it would then be worth about $\$ 1.04$ in gold. Spccie resumption was January 1, 1879 .
The trade dollar, when thus authorized, was intended for exportation abroad; especially a China, Japan, and other Oriental countries, where, in competition with the Mcxican silver dollar, which it excols in intrinsic value as bullion, by (.002) two-tenths of a cent, the trade dollar had a popular circulation : and thus making a forcign markct for American silver. The joint resolution of wongress of July 22, 1876, demonetizing the trade dollar is in these words: "That the trade dollar shall not hereaftcr be a legal tender, and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to limit from time to time the coinage thercof to such an amount as lie may decm sufficient to meet the export demand for the same.", At this time of demonetization of coin, gold was quoted in paper at about 51.03; but silver bullion if quoted in gold at the London price only-at an arcrage of $523 / 4$ pence, though tho highest quotation in 1876 was $581 / 2$, and the $10 \mathrm{wcst} 463 / \mathrm{pencc}$-would slow tho bullion in the trade dellar to be worth about 91 cents in gold. On October 16, 1877, the trade dollar coinage was discontinucd at the mint at Philadelphia, though aiterwards colned at the mints in the west, but finally suspended Fobruary 22, 1878. The present average builion value of full weight trade dollars is noted in list of coins and nntcs of the commercial nations of the world as per indox.

## Half Dollar.

Authorized to be coined, act of April 2, 1792. Weight, 208 grains; fineness, 892 \& 89 208. Deviation in weight allowed in coinage, 1.5 grain. Deviation in fineness allowed in assay, .003 ; lowest, .897 ; highest, .903 . Coinage eommenced, 1794. Weight changed, act of January 18, 1837, to 206,25 grains. Fineness changed, aet of January 18, 1537, to .900. Weight ehanged, act of February 21, 1853, to 192 grains. Weight ehanged, aet of February 12,1873 , to 12.5 grams, which are equal to $192.90+$ grains.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE HALF DOLLAR.

The Half Dollar has been fearfully eounterfeited; false half dollars of every kind may be found of almost any date since they were first coined. Very dangerous eounterfeits of the silver half dollars are of dates 1841, 1842, 1843, 1860, 1872, 1876 and 1877, all these are made of compound metal or brass, struek in a die, and heavily silver plated; they are generally well exceuted, having a fair impress, and are of good color when new; when the plating is somewhat worn they present a brazen eolor, and all have a sharp, keen ring like glass; some of those dated 1841, 1842 and 1872, are the exaet size and weight of the genuine half dollar, and can not be detected by a seale or gauge. One pieee, dated 1876 , is a minute trifle oversize, and but 1.4 grain light weight A Another struck piece, of same date, with 110 mint ingrk, weighs 201.7 grains, or 8.8 grains overweight: the reeding is weil done; general appearanee good, bat the letters a little defective, especially the word "Liberty" on the shield of the Goddess of Liberty; when worn the eoin shows the brass metal inderneath the plating; and is a little too thick to pass, through the ordinary gauges. One dated 1877 is but very little oversize and but 7.7 grains light.

Well made counterfeits, of a eomposition of silver, eopper and zinc, and intrinsieally worth about 17 eents, have been passed in great numbers, though from 7 to 10 grains light weight. Others of German or nickel silver, and sometimes silver plated, are handsome pieees, but light weight unless oversized; one of these, dated 1823, having the lettered rin, is an excellent imitation; one also dated 1830 , with the lettered edge, weighs 191 grains, or is 17 grains too light, and has a false ring. $\Lambda$ eounterfeit half dollar, dated 1868, weighs 191 grains, or but 1 grain too light; it is of proper thickness, but a little too large in diameter. Another one of same date, mint mark S, weighs 13.6 grains too heary; it is 02.5 ineh too small in diameter, .018 ineh too thick, and of .784 fineness. The reeding on this coin is irregular and shallow, surfaee of eoin greasy; specifie gravity 10.07 , should be 10.30 .

Coins made in a mould of white metal, or of type, or other metal, are of every date, and many of them, when new, are of a good eolor, as well as a good appearance if well moulded; but all have a dull ring, or one unlike that of the genuine eoin, and weigh from 22 to 58 grains underweight. Some are of right size, others a little too thick to enter the ordinary gauges used for size of coins; one, however, of proper size by these gauges, and dated 1862, with Mint mark S, weighs but 19 grains underweight; it has a good appearance, fair reeding, a little sharper glass like ring than genuine when balanced upon the end of the finger, but on a counter the ring is excellent.

## Quarter Dollar.

Authorized to be coined, aet of April 2, 1792. Weight, 104 grains; fineness, .892\& $89-208$. Deviation in weight allowed in coinage, 1.5 grain. Deviation in fineness allowed in assay, .003 ; lowest, 897 ; highest, 903 . Coinage eommeneed, 1796. Weight changed, act of January 18, 1837, to 103.125 grains. Fineness changed, act of January 18, 1837, to .900 . Weight ehanged, act of February 21, 1853, to 96 grains. Weight changed, act of February 12, 1873, to 6.25 grams, which are equal to $96.45+$ grains.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE QUARTER DOLLAR.

The Quarter Dollar has been extensively eounterfeited, and the false pieces are of almost every date, sinee it has been eoined. The most dangerous counterfeits are dated 1858 and 1860, of compound metal or brass, struck in a die, and heavily silver plated, having the exaet weight of the genuine eoin. One dangerous pieee, dated 1853, upon assay, was found to consist of a eomposition partly irou; it was heavily silver-plated, had a fair ring, varied but little from the true size, but was somewhat light. One piece, of date 1861, having a fair appearance of genuine silver but a little sharper xing, is of 15 grains underweight. Counterfeits of the quarter dollars of 1857 and 1861, have been common, being made of a eomposition consisting mostly of tin. Others of various dates have been made of soft, base metal, or eomposition, some of lead; such pieces are from 20 to 30 grains light.

## Twenty Cent Piece.

Authorized to be coined, act of Mareh 3, 1875. Weight, 5 grams, which are equal to $77.16+$ grains; fineness, 900 . Deviation in weight allowed in coinage, 1.5 grain. Deviation in fineness allowed in assay, .003; lowest, . 897 ; highest, .903. Coinage commeneed, 1875. Coinage discontinued, act of May 2, 1878. Total amount coined, \$271,000.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE TWENTY CENT PIECE.

Very few counterfeits of the Twenty Cent pieee have been put in eirculation.

## Dime.

Authorized to be coined, act of April 2, 1792. Weight, 41.6 grains; fineness, $.892 \& 89-208$; value, 10 eents. Deviation in weight allowed in coinage, 1.5 grain. Deviation in fineness allowed in assay, .003 ; lowest, .897 ; highest, .903 3. Coinage commenced, 1796. Weight changed, aet of January 18, 1837, to 4125 grains. Fineness ehanged, act of January 18, 1837, to .900 . Weight ehanged, aet of February 21, 1853, to 38.4 grains. Weight ehanged, act of February 12, 1873, to 2.5 grams, whieh are equal to $38.58+$ grains.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE DIME.

Counterfeits of whe Dime are numerous and of various dates, False dimes of compound metal or brass, struck in a die and silver washed or plated, dated 1848, have been passed freely. Counterfeits, made of soft white metal, some of them at least, are, in appearance, close imitations of the genuine coin, and so far almost defy detection. A false dime, of 1875, made of antimony, lead and zinc, has all the bright color and fine appearance of a newly struck genuine coin. False dimes, of various dates, are in circulation; many are poor, but some are well executed, good impress, fair color when new, but if worn, soon become brazen, tin-like, or leaden in color, besides being generally underweight or oversized; they usually weigh from 3 to 12 grains light, and, if of the cheap, soft metal, can be bent or even broken by the fingers. One dime, of date 1884, is about proper size, has excellent reeding, and weighs $36 \frac{1}{2}$ grains, or only 2 grains light.

## Half Dime.

Authorized to be coined, act of April 2, 1792. Weight, 20.8 grains; fineness, .892 \& 89-208; value, 5 cents. Deviation in weight allowed in coinage, 1.5 grain. Deviation in fineness allowed in assay, .003 ; lowest, .897 ; highest, .903 . Coinage commenced, 1794. Weight changed, act of January 18, 1837, to 20.625 grains. Fineness changed, act of January 18, 1837, to 900 . Weight changed, act of February 21, 1853, to 19.2 grains. Coinage discontinued, act of February 12, 1873. Total amount coined, $\$ 4,906,946.90$.

COUNTERFEITS OF THE HALF DIME.
Very few counterfeits of the Half Dime have been put in circulation.

## Silver Three Cent Piece.

Authorized to be coined, act of March 3, 1851. Weight, 12.375 grains; fineness, .750 . Deviation in weight allowed in coinage, .5 of a grain. Deviation in fineness allowed in 2ssay, .003 ; lowest, .897 ; highest, .903 . Coinage commenced, 1851. Weight changed, act of March 3, 1853, to 11.52 grains. Fineness changed, act of March 3, 1853, to 900 . Coinage discontinued, act of February 12, 1873. Total amount coined, $\$ 1,281,850.20$.

## COUNTERFEITS OF THE SILVER THREE CENT PIECE.

Counterfeits of the Silver Three Cent piece were once quite numerous, made of compound metal or brass, struck in a die and silver washed, they are generally close imitations of genuine, and, when new, well calculated to deceive.

## MINOR COINS OF THE UNITED STATES.

R. S.-"Sec. 3587. The minor coins of the United States shall be a legal tender" at their nominal value for any amount not exceeding 25 cents in any one payment."

If mutilated, there is no provision for the redemption of minor coins. Sce also under the head of Gold and Silver Coins.

## FIVE CENT-(NICKEL).

Authorized to be coined, act of May 16, 1866. Weight, 77.16 grains; copper, 75 per cent.; nickel, 25 per cent. Deviation in weight allowed in coinage, 3 grains. Deviation allowed in metal, 2.5 per cent. of nickel; (actual, much less.) Coinage commenced, 1866. New pattern in 1883, at first without, and afterwards with the word "cents" thereon.
Counterfeits. - Very fine connterfeits of the Nickel Five Cent piece, of the old pattern, have been made and struck in a die; they are of the same color, wcight and alloy of the genuine, and almost defy detection. Other fine counterfeits of this piece are numerous. Gitruck pieces, of date 1875, are of good color, of true weight, but, imperfect in the lettering, especially in the words "States of," as the letters S and $\mathbf{O}$ too closely ioin ponh other.

Other fine struck pieces，many of good color，and ul differeet dates，weigh from $661074 \frac{1}{2}$ grains；they are all slightly imperfect in the form or spacilyg of the letters on the obverse side of the coin．

With numerous counierfeits of both the old and hew pattern，cast in a mold，most of them lack the sharp，distinct impress given by a good die to genuine coin，and being rough and of a leaden color，they become black and dirty in appearance，and usually weigh from fin to 75 grains；a few，howevdr，twigh $78 \frac{1}{2}$ grains．

## THREE＇CENT——（NICKEL）．

Authorined to be coined，act of Mardx 3，1865．Weight， 30 grains；copper， 75 per cent．；nickel， 25 per cent．Deviation in weight allowed in coinage， 2 grains．Deviation allowed in netal， 2.5 per cent．of nickel；（actual，much less．）Coinage cominenced， 1865.

Coungrerfeits．－Counterfeits of the Nickel Three Cent piece are very numerous，and some of them well calculated to 4 eceive．One dated 1865 ，is a fair counterfit，while others are inferior；being cast＇rieces，they lack the sharp，distinct impress given by the die to a genuine coin，and＇being rough，soon become black and dirty in appearance．

## TWO CENT－（BRONZE）．

Authorized to be coined，act of April 22，1864．Weight， 96 grains；copper， 95 per cent．；tin and zinc， 5 per cent．Coinagc commenced，1864．Coinage discontinued，act of February 12，1S7k．Total amount coincd，$\$ 912,020.00$ ．
CENT-(COPPEK)

Authorizeded to be coined，act of July 6，1787．Coined for the Utinited States，by James arvis，at New Haven，Conn．Authorized to be coined，（by the United States Mint，）act －f April 2，1792．Weight， 264 grains；copper．Weight changed，act of Jammary 14， 2793，to f／S8 grains．Deviation in weight allowed in coinage， 2 grains．Coinage com－ menced，1793．Weight changed，by Proclamation of the President，January 26，1796，in conformily with the act of March 3，1795，to 168 grains．Coinage discontinued，act of Webringy 21，1857．Total amount coined，\＄1，562，887．44．

## （1）UXT－m（NXXI）．

Authorized to be coined，áct of February 21，1857．Weĭgit，解 grains；copper， 88 per cent．；nickel， 12 per cent．Coinage commenced， $185 \%$ ．Cbinage discontinued，act of April 22，1864．Jotal amount coined，$\$ 2,007,720.00$ ．

## CENT＝（BRONZE）．

Authorized to be coined，act of April 22，1854．Weight， 48 grains；copper， 95 per cent．；tin and zinc， 5 per cent．Deviation in treigt allowed in coinage， 2 grains．Coinz age commenced， 1864 ．

## HALF CENTー－（COPPER）．

Authorized to be colicet，act of April：～，1792．Weight， 132 grains；copper；＂Not a jegal tender．＂Weigit changed，act of anuary 14,1793 ，to 104 grains．Coinage com－ menced，1793．Weinht changed，by Proclamation of the President，January 26，1796，in conformity witl，the act of March 3,1795 ，to 84 grains．Coinage discontinued，act of February 21，185！．Total amount oived，\＄39，926．11．

## COUNTEREETS OF THE CENT AND HALF CENT．

Even the＇cents of each kind，as well as the half cents，have been counterfeited，and the small copper and bronze currency extensively corrupted．The counterfeits of the copper cent are excellent copper imitations，and were struck from dies，originally made for the purpose of manufacturing copies of unique and rare cents of such dates as commanded high＂premiums among collectors，numismatologists and antiquarians．False cents，imi－ tations of the genuine copper coin，have also been cast of various metals，but these pieces are generally rough and poor copies，some of them being of brass or of white metals，evidcatly executed by workmen merely to sliow their skill in the art of＂found－ ing．＂．The counterfeits of the half cent are of the same general character as those of the cent．Cast pieces，in imitation of the nickel cent，are either of a leaden or brazen color， and usually weigh from 55 to $\checkmark 0$ grains．Fair counterfeits，in imitation of the bronze cent， are made of pure copper，and struck in a die，bat the color of the metal will generslly distinguish such．

## PUBIIC OEBT OF U. S: JAN 1, x890:

Interest-Bearing Debt.

| TITLE OF LOAN AND AUTHORIZING AOT. | :RATE. perct | WHEN REDEEMABLE | AOCRUED INTEREST. | TOTAL PRINCIPAL | INTEREST DUB AND UNPAID. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Funded Ln, 1891, July, 'r0, Jan., '71 | 41/2 | Sept. 1, $1891 .$. | \$ 455,12887 | \$121,387,700 00 | \$305.886 01 |
| Funded Ln, 1907, July, '70, Jan., '71 | 4 | Juiy 1, 1907.. | 6,297,957 00 | 629,795,700 00 | 825,273 33 |
| Refunding Certificates, Feb. 26,1879 | 4 |  | 1,105 50 | 110,550 00 | 46,431 00 |
| Nary-Pension Fund, July 23, 1888... | 3 |  | 21000000 | 14,000,000 00 | 18,131 60 |
| Bouds to Pac.Railroads, July ${ }^{\prime} 82 \mathbb{S}^{\prime} 84$ |  |  | 1,938,705 38 | 84, 823,512 00 | S,159 96 |
| Aggregate of Interest-bearlng Debt............ |  |  | 8,902,898 73 | $829.897,48200$ | 1,185, 55030 |

## Debt on which Interest has ceased since Maturity.



## Debt bearing no Interest.

| Old Demand Notes. | July 17, 1801, |
| :---: | :---: |
| Legal-tender Notes | F'eb. 25, 1882 |
| Certific'ts of Deposit. | June 8,1872............................ $\$ 9,57$ |
|  | Less amount held in Treasurers' cash.... 570,000 00 |
| Gold Certificates. | March 3, 1863, and July 12, 1882.......... 154,301,989 00 |
|  | Less amount held ln Treasurers' cash.... 31,318,100 00 |
| Sllver Cerlificat | Feb. 28, 1878...................... .......... $28.2020 .202,03900$ |
|  | Less a mount held in Treasurers' caslı.... $2,25{ }^{\text {a }}$, 2,96800 |
| c | July 17, '82; March 3, '83; June 30, '84... 15,290,088 47 |
| Less amount estima | d as lost or destroyed, act June 1879...... 8, $375,93 \& 00$ |

Aggregate of Debt bearlng no Interest..

| $\begin{array}{r} \$ 58,44250 \\ 346,881.01600 \end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $9,000,000000$ |  |
| 122,985, 88900 |  |
| 282,949,073 00 |  |
| 8,914,132 47 |  |
| 768,586,552 97 |  |

## Cash in Treasury.

Gold held for gold certificates.... $\$ 122,985,85900$ Sllver held for sllver certificates.. $282,949,07300$ U.S. notes held forcert. of deposit $9,000,00000$ Uash held for mat'd debt andint., 12,085.038 9t Fractional currency $\qquad$

Total arailable
Reserve for redeinption of notes... $100,000,000$ Rraotional Silver \& minor coins.. 22,011,702
Dortitleates held as cash.
......... 22.011,702 7.2 34.139,068 00 $30,595,14251$

Tota] cash by Treas. ycn. acc't. . $\$ 813,768,81130$

## Total Principal <br> Total Interest.

$\qquad$ . $\$ 1,600,328,84023$

## Total Debt

$\qquad$$1,810,569,053 ? 1$
Less cash available and reserve.. 527,021,000 07
Debt, less available cash ltems. $1,083,548,053 \mathrm{~S}$
Nel cash in Trcasury $30,595,1425 \mathrm{I}$
Debt, less cash in Trcas., Jan. 1, ${ }^{9} 90$. 1, (52: 95:2,911 33Debt, less cash in Treas, Nec. 1, '89. 1,050,081,004 7.2Vecrease of Jebt during the month. 3,128,093 39Decrease of Debt slice Junc 30, 'S9..

23,693,710 12

| Railway. | Inc. padd by U.s | Ur. by 'Transy'n. Ur. by Uasho |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$32,751,19847 | \$5,959,039 37 | \$658,283 28 |
| Central ${ }^{\text {Kansas }}$ | 8,398,413 09 | 3,751,289 7.3 |  |
| Union | $\begin{array}{r}34,782!134 \\ -125,508 \\ \hline 128\end{array}$ | +105,418 73 | 38,40958 8,92691 |
| Cen. Hranch U | $2.377,65054$ | 938700 |  |
| Western Pacific. | 2,050,492 69 | 159,5\%3 18 |  |


| SINKING Honds. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FUND } \\ & \text { Cash. } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| \$3,371,000 00 | $\$ 7,80537$ |
| 7,989,650 00 | 61,540 11 |
|  |  |
|  |  |

## Stolen United States Bonds.

## TREASURY DEPA RTMENT.

WASHINGTUN, D. O., Jan. 1, 1890.
-... Reglstered Bonds of the following Acts, numbers, and donominations are caveated apon the Books of this Department at this dato, viz:

| Aot of Jandary 28, 1847. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2455. |  |
| 300 each-1697 1698 1699. |  |
| 500 each-2987 30 |  |
| 1000 each-7422 759875998430.5000 each—3044. |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
| 5000 eacb -2280. <br> Ast of Marue 2, 1881, "Oregon War." |  |
|  |  |
| \$50 each-270. |  |
| 100 ach-276 68\%. |  |
| 500 each-1014 1089. |  |
| \$50 each-1181 1267. |  |
|  |  |
| $\$ 100$ each-30 318885928593064518069807080718072. |  |
| 500 each-9331394186743036848. |  |
| 1000 each-2463 $2533 \quad 6833 \quad 68618081$ |  |
| $\begin{array}{lllll} 8713 & 9102 & 11429 & 18114 & 20341 \\ 23670 & 26541 & 26542 & 26543 & 26544 \end{array}$ |  |
|  |  |
| 2927829413 29414 3025930260 |  |
| 36901. |  |
| 5000 each-6195 8438876110860. |  |
| 10000 each-9276 to 9295 inclusive 11138$1145212800 .$ |  |
| Act of July 17, 1861, continued at 31/2 per cent. |  |
| \$100 each-14457 16232. |  |
| 500 each-10472 10915. |  |
| 1000 each-50879 $50880 \quad 5425954260$ |  |
| $\begin{array}{llllll}54261 & 54262 & 54263 & 54545\end{array}$ |  |
| 54546 | $46 \quad 54547$ |
| 5000 each-17254. |  |
| 10000 each-35208. |  |
| Aot of Frbruary 25, 1882. |  |
| \$50 each-117\%. |  |
| 100 each-1299 |  |
| to 1874 inclusive $2787 \quad 3547$ |  |
| $\begin{array}{lllll}3549 & 4627 & 4931 & 5021 & 5168\end{array}$ |  |
| $\begin{array}{lllll}5169 & 5170 & 6029 & 6030 & 6662\end{array}$ |  |
| $\begin{array}{lllll}6663 & 7527 & 7528 & 9500 & 14113 \\ 14114 & 14201 . & & \end{array}$ |  |
|  |  |
| $\begin{array}{ccccc}500 \text { each-375 } & 1273 & 3460 & 4323 & 7636 \\ 7921 & 8051 & 8430 . & & \end{array}$ |  |
|  |  |

Aot of Marur 3, 1864, 10-40's.
$\begin{aligned} & \text { \$ } 50 \text { each- } 960 . \\ & 100 \text { each-1582 to } 1585 \text { inclusive } \\ & 89778978 \quad 107941079510796 .\end{aligned}$ 500 each-5834.
1000 each-1785 2493132471324816109. 5000 each-6329 7696 .7697.
10000 each- 8744 to 8763 inclusive 1165818903 to 18942 inclusive.
Oefntral Paoifio Railroad 1888's.
$\$ 5000$ each-- 310 .
Union Paotpio Railroad, 1888's.
5000 each---1465.
10000 each. -1864.
AOT OY JUN: 30, 1884.
$\$ 100$ each-1502 $1503 \quad 1504$.
500 each-709 1699.
$\begin{array}{llllll}1000 \text { each-4143 } & 4144 & 7813 & 7814 & 7815\end{array}$ 7816880110450
5000 each-2275.
Aot of Maroh 3, 1865, May and November. $\$ 100$ each-359 $\quad 390 \quad 2405 \quad 2406 \quad 4738$. $\begin{array}{lllll}500 \text { each- } & 839 & 871 & 2998 & 3719 .\end{array}$
1000 each-645 $\quad 646 \quad 798 \quad 2543 \quad 2544$ $\begin{array}{lllll}3579 & 3580 & 7842 & 7843 & 13836\end{array}$ 13837.

AOT OT MAROH 3,1885-JULT, 1885. Oombols.
$\begin{array}{lllll}\$ 50 & \text { each-1211 } & 1212 & 1242 & 1244 \\ 1245\end{array}$ 1246.

100 each-946 $1008 \quad 2383 \quad 2384 \quad 2385$ $\begin{array}{lllll}2619 & 12229 & 12231 & 13767 & 13768\end{array}$ 1376913774142561428815604 15605156921569315694.

500 each-1905 $1906 \quad 1985 \quad 2047 \quad 7013$ 859785988646.

1000 each-1293 $3489 \quad 6331 \quad 1437215111$ 1633116332169591696017004 1700518878188791888020033 $22099 \quad 22100 \quad 22101 \quad 22436$ to 22449 inclusive 25234 2จ235 2815728158305173069031021 313033130436717.

5000 each- 461266726684987.
Aot of Marot 3, 18e5-1867, Oonsols.
$\$ 50$ each-ь353 24442654.
100 each--588 $589 \quad 590 \quad 591 \quad 1445$
$\begin{array}{llllll}2751 & 2752 & 2753 & 2776 & 2777\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllll}3528 & 6687 & 7323 & 7324 & 8392\end{array}$ 839314722147231539116069 1607016071208012226122262 2226322264.

500 each---999 19681982351539644914 516253476255625662576258 7102820882559446978810854
$\$ 1000---335733585959111021110411105$ 11624. 11646116541220812211 1221412215125061268912690 1269114316 to 14325 inclusive 1641318434184351893718938 2383023831238322383330748 334633664242500.

5000 each--182503 362512236.
Aot of March 3, 1885-1868. Consols.
$\$ 500$ each $--355 \quad 1291 \quad 1313 \quad 1518 \quad 1527$ 1748.

1000 each-1062 $1286 \quad 1287 \quad 1288 \quad 2828$ $4 \quad$-г 74846484755585560 5561 วง อย
5000 each-- 1280 129\%.
10000 each---204206207208209225
Aot or Jult, 14, 1870, 5 \& Fundrd Loax.
\$100 each---792 6727
500 each- 4203.
1000 each--3248 $4710 \quad 4711 \quad 471217880$ 17881.

5000 each--12194
10000 each---13486 to 13495 inclusive 1803818081.

50000 each--165 166643644645646737 738.
aut of hulf 14, 1870, 5 a Funded Loan Con TINUED AT $31 / 2 \%$.
\$100 each-8009 801080118587 .
500 each-3846 40745602.
1000 each- 17434.
Aot of Joli 14. 1870, 41/2 $x$ Funded Loan.
$\$ 50$ each-144 3671.
100 each--2566 $2567 \quad 2573 \quad 257414388$ 148891439014548145491682817244 175911759215051180521805318054 213512346623467280783288732888.

500 each---319 $680 \quad 3462 \quad 3585 \quad 3586$ 4846569661547283746077287833 80798301115101159713331
1000 each---3976 $3977 \quad 3978 \quad 556614327$ 168841982019821206672066821161 22792246052460624607.

5000 each---4944 9733.
adt of Jult 14, 1870, 44 Funded Loan•
\$50 each--1147 $14251426 \quad 214823903041$ 3074312336814611563385759636 97091118911581142961539315645 163951761719133200672016421547 22222 2286023468267542757728318
100 each---2432 25622924292532114542 4543455747657869 to 7872 inclus'e $\begin{array}{llllll}8822 & 8823 & 8868 & 8869 & 8870 & 8871\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllll}10058 & 10060 & 10139 & 10140 & 10141\end{array}$ 101421247312474124751247613624 136251425914260144391464814649 $\begin{array}{lllll}14789 & 14790 & 16036 & 16344 & 16345\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllll}16512 & 16513 & 16514 & 21438 & 22374\end{array}$ 245162451725147251482528025973 263312678633396333973569737515 396833968440162 to 40166 inclusive $40729 \quad 40730 \quad 40731 \quad 40732 \quad 42283$ 447694480344804448054480644807 456064785750571505725204052041 520425244254282542975448255406 $55407 \quad 55408 \quad 58273 \quad 5027458850$ $60272 \quad 63202 \quad 63944 \quad 63945 \quad 65662$ $\begin{array}{lllll}66521 & 66522 & 67969 & 71145 & 72370\end{array}$ $73958 \quad 77898 \quad 77948 \quad 79900 \quad 79401$ 825608341983420834218342283867
$\begin{array}{lllll}83868 & 83869 & 83870 & 86306 & 86307\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllll}86308 & 86626 & 86627 & 56628 & 88283\end{array}$ $88412 \quad 884138918 \% 89188 \quad 89336$ 893378933891288934259342694560 94708989039890498905100770101241 101242101243101244103665103666 103667103668104256105255106169 106935106936107099107190107192 107193110208112584112585112586 113364113365113366116666116667 117355118276118283122086122256. 122257122290122291122292122293 $\begin{array}{llll}124516 & 124517 & 124518 & 125009 \\ 125010\end{array}$ 125011126432126433130607131488 . 131592131593136842137203137206. 137207137208137209139067139068 139069139070139173139174139175 $\begin{array}{lllll}139176 & 141694 & 143766 & 144647 & 144648\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllll}144738 & 144739 & 149680 & 149681 & 151069\end{array}$ 153263153264153265153266154166 157028157029160210160211163718 166319166320166321166322.

500 each--2114 28712872654566196658 $\begin{array}{llllll}7252 & 8286 & 8600 & 10871 & 12927 & 12959\end{array}$ 132491347913700167401674116826 168271682816829189241995922559 230162373425071261282665626985 271902719127192271932719429302 $30236 \quad 32572 \quad 34285 \quad 36072 \quad 37450$ 389033900841099416394164041641 416424182543893457164831150469 516415322453466 to 53473 inclusive 5462358001610416143761511 61512660636630870217.

1000 each---1907 to 1912 inclusive 6092 60936094910413646138321580916506 211472135322099222592265024487 249232492424925261932619426195 261962619726403298002980129802 29821 to 29834 inclusive 3356135293 379163791737918383314115742465 426954359546496466504756349757 528585285953325 to 53338 inclusive $55593 \quad 55594 \quad 56520 \quad 60079 \quad 60950$ 627576275862759627606276167010 $68519 \quad 68520 \quad 69048 \quad 69049 \quad 69108$ $\begin{array}{lllll}69109 & 69110 & 70600 & 72253 & 72420\end{array}$ 72421731848156781629 to 81632 inclusive $85006 \quad 87000 \quad 9024 \pm 90245$ 90433 to 90441 inclusive 90444 to 90457 inclusive 9221093331 to 43334 inclusive $9549395494 \quad 98375$ 102402 103050103051103052106898107523 112196112197114829114830115400 $1155781186731186741246191: 5607$ $\begin{array}{llllll}126182 & 136749 & 136750 & 136751 & 136752\end{array}$ 145189
5000 ench--4927 10645 17182 1905 т 21998 22006.

10000 each---1971 to 2000 inc're 288310307 Act of Jule 12, 1882, 3 Per Cert.
$\$ 50$ each-Original Nos. 123, 688 to 696 incl. 100 each-Uriginal Nos. 194927904537 45384539454046685299.

100 each-Original Nos. 2013.
1000 each-Orig'l Nos. 1621618647 18648 $10,00 \mathrm{C}$-Original Nes. 16543.

## COINS AND NOTES <br> OF THE

## COMMERCIAL NATIONS OF THE WORLD.

This list of the legal tender and various uncurrent coins of the commercial nations of the world is of strict business importance and reliability. The coins named, unless designated as being "no longer current," are those in legal and actual circulation, and with quotations for uncurrent coins not inclusive of ancient pieces seldom seen outside cabinets and museums. The values here given are the current values of the United States coins and the exchange value of the foreign gold and silver coins corrected each month for Dye's Government Counterfeit Detector. See note on page 55.

## UNLTED STATES.

MONEY OF ACCOUNT.
Dollar, of 100 Cents.
PAR OF EXCHANGE.
\$1......Equals 4 Shillings $11 / 8 \mathrm{~d}$
$\$ 1 \ldots .$. ".........0.20548£
$\$ 1 . .$. " .......4.197 marks
1 cent " .......... $/ 2$ pence
1 cent " .......-. 05 franc
1 cont "......-. 04 mark
GOLD COINS.
Vouble Eagle. ............. $\$ 20.00$
Eagle, prior to 1834....... 10.65
Eagle, since 1834......... 10.00
Half Eagle, prlor to 1834, 5.32
Half Eagle, since 1834... 5.00
Three Dollars.............. 3.00
Quarter Eagle,prlor 1834
Quarter Eagle, since 18342.50
Doilar.
2.50

## SILVER COINS.

Trade Dollar. $\qquad$ . .8-. 75
Standard Doilar.......... 1.00
Half Dollar, etc......face value.

## PRIVATE GOLD.

## NO LONGER UURRENT.

Value of the gold therein but many comm?nd a good premiuma $\nabla$ llue.

## NORTH OAROLINA.*

Five Dollars U. Hechtler
1830-1834, not dated.... $\$ 5.30$
Five Dollars O. Bechtler date 1834.
4.96

Two and a half Dols....... 2.45
One Dollar.................. -. 98
GEORGIA.
Ten Dollars T. Keid 1834. $\$ 10.05$ Ten Dols.T.Reid aft.1834. 9.75 Five Dols. " " " 4.80 $21 / 2$ 4.80
2.37

CALIFORNIA.
\$50. "Slug" Octagonal (1851 or 2 )
Round (1855) W.M.\&C0. $\$ 49.90$ $\$ 40.07$, bar. F. D. Kohler 40.50 $\$ 25$, Templeton Keid.... 24.50 D'bl Earle, A. Humbert 19.95 Double Eagle, S. F. Cal. . 19.95 Wouble Eagle, Baldwin.. 19.20 Double Eagle Moffat . . . . 19.90 Double Eagle, Kellogg.. 19.90 Blake \& Co.. Sacramento 19.30
\$13, Oblong $\ln$ got, Moffat 15.75 Eagle, Moran \& Clark... 9.95 Eagle, Temploton Reid.. 9.75 Eagle, A. Huinbert. ..... 9.95 Lagles of 1849 and 1850... 9.95 Eagle, Cin., M. \& 'T'. (\%o. 9.70 Eagle, S. F., State of Cal. 9.95 Eagie, Miners' Bank.... 9.85 Eagle,.J. S. O............ 9.50 Lagle, Dubosq \& Co..... 9.95 Eagle, W. M. \& Co...... 9.95 Eagle Paclfic Co.......... 7.86 Eagle Oregron Ex. Co... 9.85 Eagle, Baldwin \& Co.... 9.95 Eagle, Moffat \& Co....... 9.95 Half Eagle, Dunbar \& Co 4.95 Half Eagle, Dubosq \& Co 4.95 Half Eagle, Pacific Co... 4.50 Halt Eagle N ( \& N . Half Eagles of 1849. 4.85 HalfEage Mass \& CaiCO 4.75 Half Eagle, Mass.\&Cal.Co 4.75 Half Eagle, S. F. Cal..... 4.95 Half Eagle. Oregon Co... 4.85 Half Eag, Oln., M.\& T.Oo 4.95 Half Eagle, Baldwin \& Co 4.85 Halr Eagle, Moffat \& Co. 4.85 Half Eagle, Shults \& Co. 4.95 Quarter Eagles. .......... 2.45 Doilars, $1 / 2$ dols., $1 / 4$ dols.
UTAH-MORMON.
Welght and fineness irrcgular value of gold therein about
Double Eagle,........... $\$ 18.00$
Eagle.......................... 9.00
Eight Dollars.............. 7.75
Five Dollars............... 4.60
Four Dollars.............. 3.85
Quarter Eagle............. 2.25
COLORADO-PIKES PEAK.
$\$ 20$ Pikes Peak Gold or
Clark, Gruber\& Co., Den 19.70 $\$ 10$ " 6 \$5 " " " " 4.85
$\$ 5$ Jno Parsons \& Co, Oro 4.80
$\begin{array}{lll}21 / 2 \\ 21 / 2 \\ \text { S. F., Cal............... } & 2.40\end{array}$ 21. S. F., Cal...............
21/2. J. J. Conway \& Co., 2.40
2.40
Bankers................ 2.40

## AUSTRIA.

Money ob AcouUnt. Florin, of 100 Kreutzers. GOLD COINS.
Quadruple Ducat........\$ 9.15
Double Ducat............... 4.57
Ducat......................... 2.28
Souverain.................... 6.75
Half Souverain ..... 3.37
Austrian Ducat ..... 2.28
Krone or Crown. ..... 6.812
Half Crown................. ..... 3.31
Eight Florins (20 francs) ..... 3.86
Four Florins ..... 1.93
SILVER COINS
Florin 190.512 gs. 900 fine --. 34
Double Florin............. ..... $-.34$
Maria T'heresia Thaler. ..... 72
Crown Thaier............ -. 18
Species Thaler

$\qquad$ ..... $-.72$
BANK NOTES
$1,5,10,50,100,500$ and 1000
Florins or Gulden.In Austria, Bank and Govern-mot notes are at par with thesilver coins only. Gold is at apremium above sllver or notes.

## BELGIUM.

Gold and Sllver Francs, Hank Notes, Par of Exchange and Money of Account are all the same as those In France.

## IDENMARK.

## MONEF OF Account.

Crown or Krone of 100 Ore.
PAR OF EXCHANGE.
1 Crown Equals.......... $\$ 0.288$

## GOLD COINS.

Twenty Kroner............ 5.38
Ten Kroner.................. 2.68
Double Christlan D'or... 7.88
Uhristian D'or............ 3.94
llouble trederiks D'or.. 7.88
Frederiks I) or ........... 3.94
Ducat....................... 2.24
SILVER COINS.
Two Kroner.............-. -. 53
Krone........................... -. .26
Half Krone................. -.13
Quarter Krone........... -. 06
The bullion value of the Silver
Krone is about 28 per cent. less.
In Denmark bank notes and silver coins are each at par wlth the gold colns.

BANK NOTES.
$1,5,10,50,100,500$ and 1000 Kroner or Crowns.
*The fineness of North Carollna Gold Coins varled but little during the mintage of $O^{\text {* }}$ Bechtler, from 1830 to 1842. His colns of 20 carats fine are stamped "N. C. Gold," usually, those of 21 carats "Carolina Gold." The weight of the "N. C." Five Doliar Gold piece ranges from 138 to 140 grains, and the "Carolin ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ " at from 132 to 134 gralns. After 1842 the mint passed into the possession of A. Bechtler, and his name appeared upon its coinage lnstead of that of C. Bechtler. Tho only marked effect which this change produced upon the gold coins from 1842 to 1848 , when that establlsh. ment was abolished, was a considerable deficiency ln value as compared with former emissions.

## FLNLAND．

money of Account．
Markka，of 100 Penni．
Gold and Silver Markkaa，the Same as Francs of France．

## FRANCE．

Money of Aocount． Franc，of 100 Centimes． PAR OF EXCHANGE．
1 Franc Equals 0.1929 dollar 0.03985 £

1 Franc
91／2 pence．

## GOLD COINS．



Crown＝6 franks
The bullion value of the silver 5 franc plece isabout 27 percent less．The other silver coins about 32 per centless．
In France bank notes and sil－ ver coins are each at par with gold colns．

## BANK NOTES．

5，20，50，100，500， 1000 France．

## GERMAN EMPIRE．

## Money of Account．

 Mark，of 100 Pfennigs．PAR OF EXCHANGE．
1 Mark Equals－ 0.2382 dollar GOLD COINS．
20 Marks．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 4.78
10 Marks or Orown．．．．．． 2.38
6 Marks ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 1.18 SILVER COINS．
Five Marks．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．$\$ 1.19$
Two Marks．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 47
One Mark．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 23
50 Pfonnige．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．-.16
20 Pfennige．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 04
The builion value of the silver coins is about 35 per cent less．

In Germany bank notes anci silver coinsaro each at par with gold coins．

BANK NOTES．
b， $10,20,50,100,500,1000$ Marks
OLI GOLD COINS
NO LON゙GER CURRENT．
Augrust D＇or of Saxony．．$\$ 4.00$
Caroiln of Bavaria．．．．．． 4.99
Carolin of Manheim．．．．． 4.85
Crown of Prussa．．．．．．．．．．． 8.50
Crown of Hanover．．．．．．．．$\quad 7.90$
Ioubio Friederich＇s D＇or 8.00
Ducat of Suvaria．．．．．．．．． 2.20
Ducat of Hamburg．．．．．． 2.25
Five（fuilders．．．．．．．．．．．． 1.90
Fivo Thalers．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 4.00
Friederich＇s I＇or．．．．．．．．． 4.00
Maxlmilian D＇or．．．．．．．．．．． 3.40
Plstole of l3runswick．．．．．． 3.90
Pistole of Manheim．．．．． 3.80
OLI）SIMAVER UOINS NO LONCl：゙R UURREN＇T．
（Bullion vaiue．）
Noublo Thaier．．．．．．．．．．．．． 1.03
T＇baler．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 51

Double Florin．．．．．．．．．．．－． 59
Florin．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 29
Half Florin －． 14

## GREAT RRITAIN．

Moner of Account．
Pound Sterling，of 20 Shillings or 240 Pence．
PAR OF EXCHANGE． £1 Equals．．．．．．．．．．4．8685 dollars £1 い ．．．．．．．．．．25．2215 francs £1 $\quad$＂$\quad . . . . . . . .20 .4294$ marks 18 ＂．．．．．．．．．．．． 0.2433 doliar 1 d ＂$\quad$ ．．．．．．．．． 0.02027 doliar 1 d ．$. . . . . . . .0 .101 / 2$ franc GOLD COINS．
Five Sovereigns．．．．．．．． 24.33
Loubie Sovereign．．．．．．．．． 9.73
Sovereign，pound sterling $4 \cdot 86$
Hall Soveroign ．．．．．．．．．．． 2.43
5 Guineas．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．$\$ 25.55$
2 Guineas．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 10.22
Guinea（21 shillings）．．．．． 5.11
Half Guinea．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 2.55
Quarter Guinea．．．．．．．．．． 1.27
Third Guinea．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 1.70
SILVER COINS．
Crown（ 5 shillings）．．．．．．．\＄1．21
Donble Florin．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 97
Half Crown．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 60
Florin（2 shillings）．．．．．．－． 48
Shilling．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 24
Six－Pence．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 12
And three，two，and one，Pence．
The bulifon value of the silver coins is about 33 per cent less．

In Great Britain bank notes and silver coin are each at par with gold coins．

BANK NOTES．
$£ 1,5,10,20,50,100,200,300,500$ ．

## Oolonial Coins． <br> GOLD COINS．

Mohur， 15 Rupees．．．．．．． 7.08
Native Gold Nohur．．．．．． 7.90
Double Pagoda．．．．．．．．．．．． 3.75
Pagoda． $\qquad$ 1.85

Australian Sovereign．．． 4.86 Half Soverelgn
Two Dol．Newfoundland 2.03 SILVER COINS．
Double Rupee．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 11
Half Pagoda．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 59
Kupee（lndia）．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 35
Quarter Pagoda．．．．．．．．．．．－． 29
Half Kupec．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 17
$1 / 8$ Rupeo（ 2 Annas）．．．．．－． 04
Holiar of Sierra Leone．．$\$ . .66$
Half Dollar ${ }^{6}$ ．．－ 33
50 Cents of Canada．
25 Cents
20 Uents
10 Uents
5 Uonts
50 Uents of Nowfoundild
20 （ ）ents
20）（Vents of N．Brunsticic
See noto on next pare．
＇Tle builion value ot Canada silver is about 35 per cent less than face valuc．

## （xREECE．

Money of Account．
Irachina，of 100 Lejt a．
（fold and Silver Drachmas the same as francs of France．

## HOLLAND．

Monir of ACCOUNT．
Florin of 100 Uents．
PAR UF EXCHANGE．
1 Filorin Equals 0.402 lollar．

## GOLD COINS．

10 Guilders or Florins ．．$\$ 4.02$ 5 Guilders．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 2.01 Ducat．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 2.28 SILVER COINS．
21／2 Gulden．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．$\$ 1.00$
Gulden．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．-40
Half Gulden．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 20

## ITALY．

Moner of Account．
Lira，of 100 Centesmi．
Gold and Silver Liras，Bank Notcs and Par of Exchange are all same as Francs of France．

## OLD CZOLD COINS NOLON． GER CUKRENT．

Doppia of 1814 ..... 6.25
Doppia of 1826 ..... 3.85
Sovereign of Milan．．．．．．．\＄ 6.70
Doppia ..... 3.80
Zecchino of Miian． ..... 2.25
10 Scudi Papal． ..... $\$ 10.20$
5 Scudi ..... 5.10
IScudi 6 ..... 2.50
Gold Scudo of Rome．．．．$\$ 32.60$
Doppia ..... 3.27
Zecchino ..... 2.20
Genovine of Sardinia．．．$\$ 15.10$
Carlino ..... 9.40
Half Genovine $\quad$ ．．．． 7.50
Pistole ..... ．． 5.70
Double Onzie of Sicily．．$\$ 5.15$
Onzie ..... 2.50
80 Florini of Tuscany．．．．$\$ 21.70$
Ruspone of Tuscany． ..... 6.80
Zecchino of Tuscany．．．． ..... 2.25

SILVER COINS NO LON． AER CURRENT．
（Bullion value．）
Francescone．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．-77
Scudo．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 78
Half Scudo．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．-.37
Scudo Papal．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 74
Half Scudo Papal．．．．．．．．．－． 37

## PORTUGAL．

## PAR OF EXCEANGE．

1 Milreis $(1000$ Rcis）$=\$ 1.08$ GOLD COINS．
10 Milreis．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 10.80
5000 Reis ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．$\$ 5.40$
2000 Reis ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 2.16
1000 Reis ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 1.08

## GOLU COINS NO LJNGER OURRENT．

Dobrao of 24 Miireis．．．．$\$ 32.50$
Dobrao of 15 Nllreis．．．． 17.25
Joro or Joanese ．．．．．．．．．． 7.75
Kisbomilo．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 6.48
Niocda D’ouro．．．．．．．．．．．． 4.85
SILVER COINS．
500 Reis．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－ 5
200 Reis．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 21
100 Rels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 10
50 Reis．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．－． 5

## RUSSLA．

Money of Acoount．
Rouble，of 100 Kopecks ．
GOLD COINS．
Imperial of 10 Roubles．．$\$ 7.97$
Polo－1mperial oí 5 ＂．． 3.98
3 Rouinles．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 2.32
kouinles

| PLATINA COINS. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 12 Roubles. | \$ 8.75 |
| 8 Roubles. | 4.35 |
| Roubles | 2.1 |
| SILVER CoINS. |  |
| Rouble.................. - . 55 |  |
| Rouble and hait......... -. $8^{2}$ |  |
| 75 Kopecks............. -. 40 |  |
|  |  |
| 25 Kopecks |  |
| 15 Kopecks |  |
| 5 Kopecks...... ........ -. 1 <br> In Russia ior roid and silver |  |
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## SWEDEN and NORWAY

Gold and Silver Crowns, Bank Notes, and Par of Exchange, are all the same as crowns of Denmark.

## SWITZERLAND.

Gold and Sllver Francs, Bank Notes, and Par of Exchange, are all the same as Francs of France.

## TURKEY.

Moner of Account.
Piaster, of 40 Paras.
GOLD COINS
500 Piastres................ $\$ 22.25$ Lira or 100 Plastres...... . 84.45 50 Piastres................ 2.22 20 Plastres.................. -. 88
5 Plastres................ -. 22

SILVER COINB
Medjlific or 20 Piaster... $\$$ - 88
5 l'iastcrs........................ 22 2 Piasters.

## JAPAN.

Money of Account. Yen, of 100 Sen .
GOLD COINS.
20 Yens..................... . $\$ 19.94$
10 Yens.................... 9.97
5 Yens..................... 4.98
2 Ycns....................... 1.99
1 Yen......................... -.98
SILVER COINS
Trade Yon.................... 75
Yen.......................... -. 14
50 Sen........................ -. 31
10 Sen ........................................
10 Sen.............................. 6

## SOUTH AMERICA. <br> argentine republic. <br> GOLD CO1NS. <br> Argentine.................. $\$ 4.82$ <br> Half Argentine.......... 2.41 <br> SILVER COINS. <br> Peso........................... . $\$$-. 96 <br> 50 Centavos............... -. 48

## BRAZIL.

Money of Account. Milrcis, of 1000 Reis.

GOLD COINS.
Twenty Milreis........... $\$ 10.92$
6400 Rcis, 16 Miirels..... 8.73
'Ten Milreis............... 5.46
4000 Reis . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4.88

## SILVER COINS.

Two Milrels................ . $\$ 1.09$
Nouble Pataca............ -. 65 Milreis..................... -. 54 Flve Hundred Reis........-. 27

## CHILI.

MONET OF ACCOUNT. Pesos, of 100 Centavos.

> GOLD COINS.

Doubioon (old) 8, E..... $\$ 15.53$
Condor, 10 Pesos.......... 9.12 Doubloon, 5 Pesos........ 4.56 Escudo, 2 Pesos............. 1.82 Pcso.............................. 91

## SILVER COINS.

Yeso............................. 91
Half Peso................... -. 45
20 Centavos................. -. 18
Decimo ...................... .. 9
Media Decimo................... -. 4

## PERD.

## Money of Account.

Sol, of 100 Centavos
GOLD COINS

| 20 Sols. | 18.30 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 10 Sols. | 9.65 |
| 5 Sols. | 4.82 |
| 2 Sols. | 1.93 |
| 1 Sol. | -. 96 |
|  |  |
| Sol. | - |
| Old Pc. | -. 75 |
| Half S | -34 |

U. S. of COLUMIBIA.
( $\ddagger$ old and silver pesos the same as sols of Peru.

## VENEZUELA.

Gold Holivars the same as goid francs of France.

## CENTRAL AMERICA.

GOLD COINS.
I)oubloon or Onza........\$15.63

Quar Doubloon or Pistole 3.88
Quarter Pistole........... -. 97
N.B.-Doubloon=8 Escudos Pistole=2 Escudos
SILVER COINS.
Peso, of 8 Reales..........\$-. 74
Four Reales............... - 37
Two Reales. . .............. . . 19
One Real.................... -. 08

## MEXICO.

Moner of Account.
Pesi) or Dollar, of 100 Centavos.
GOLD COINS.
DOLS.
16 Doubioon, 8 Escudos. $\$ 15.53$
8 Half Doubioon...... 7.78
4 Quarter Doubloon... 3.88
2 Eighth Doubloon.... 1.94
Slxteenth Doubloon. . 98
20 Twenty Pesos......... $\$ 19.68$
10 Ten Pesos.............. 9.84
5 Five Pesos............. 4.92
21/2 Two-and-a-halfPesos 2.46
1 Peso...................... -. 98
Old colns not up to .875 fine.
SILVER COINS.
1 Eight Reals (old).. \$-. 75
1 Dollar ( 1 Peso) ....... -. 75
1/2 Fifty Centavos....... -. 37

05 Five " …... -. 3
In Mcxico, their Paper Money is on a par with their sllver coins only.

The foregoing prices of foreign gold coins are their home value represented in U. S. Moncy, exchange at par ; or such prices are their intrinsic or bullion value if coins are of full weight; U.S. Custom House valuation see "Circular," page

The foregoing prices of silver coins are their full home valucs, represented in U. S. money.

Some brokers are paying for silver, viz. : (In large lots the better the price).


## BRITISH AMERICAN CURRENCY.

## DOMINION OF CANADA.

The seat of Government of the Dominion of Canada is in Ottawa, Province of Ontario, where the Public Buildings form three sides of an oblong hollow square, the Parliament buildings being on the north side, facing inward. The offices of the Finance Department are located in the eastern building, with Sir S. L. Tilley as Minister of Finance, John Mortimer Courtney as Deputy-Minister of Finance, and Fred. Toller as Comptroller of Currency. No bills of any denomination are actually issued to the public from this department in Ottawa, but are issued through the sub-offices of the Receiver-General at the following points, each of which is in charge of an Assistant-Receiver-General, viz.:-

Montreal, P. Q...............................E. J. Barbeau, A.R.G.
Toronto, Ontario.............................C. J. Campbell, A.R.G.
St. John, N. B....................................R. W. Crookshanks, A.R.G.
Halifax, N. S. ................................J. R. Wallace, A.R.G.
Victoria, B. C..................................John Graham, A.R.G.
Winnipeg, Manitoba.......................H. M. Drummond, A.R.G.
The system of paper money of Canada is similar to that of the United States, consisting of Dominion notes, which now amount to $\$ 15,000,000$, while the note circulation of the different banks amounts to about $\$ 37,000,000$, the whole volume being subject to contraction or expansion, as circumstances may warrant. The issue of Dominion notes is limited to $\$ 20,000,000$, for which specie and Governmentsecurities aretheld.

## CANADIAN BILLS-GOVERNMENT ISSUE

Province of Canada.-Bills recalled and going out of circulation- $\$ 1$ $\$ 2, \$ 5, \$ 10, \$ 20, \$ 50, \$ 100, \$ 500, \$ 1000$.
Dominion of Canada.- Present Government issue Scrip, twenty-five cents; bills of $\$ 1, \$ 2, \$ 4, \$ 50, \$ 100, \$ 500, \$ 1000$.*
Some issues of "Dominion of Canada" Bills are backed "Payable at Toronto, Montreal, St. John, Halifax or Victoria, but later issues have engraved, through the centre of the green printed design on the back, the words "Dominion of Canada," and are redeemed by any of the Assistant Receivers General throughout the Dominion.

The Bills of the Banks of Canada and British Provinces in distant centres of trade are subject to a discount by Brokers in the United States and Canada, and at the following rates, the highest rates prevailing in the winter months and at points most distant from the place of issue or re-demption:-

DISCOUNT RATES.


## BANKS IN BRITISH AMERICA.

Bills of Issue purporting to be on any Canadian Bank not mencioned in this List are either entirely worthless or of doubtful value, and should be handled only as "Bills for Collection."

Dye's Government Counterfeit Detector, of the United States, gives this List of Parent Banks in business in the British Dominion for the protection of all its subscribers from doubtful, broken, and worthless institutions, which previously existed in the Provinces, their bills being still in circulation and used by dishonest persons. These parent banks, however, have branches in other provinces, and bills are issued therefrom, but this fact of a different location will appear upon the bill.

The bills of the United States National Banks are all secured by deposit of United States Bonds with the National Government, which guarantees the currency though the banks may fail; hence a List such as we give of U. S. National Banks having bills counterfeited is all safety requires, as the bills of the former State and private banks are entirely superseded by the monev of the National Banks.

Banks in this List having Counterfeit Bills are marked with a *

## Province of Ontario.



## Province of Manitoba.

| Place. Name. | County. | Bills of Is Isue. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

Bills issued by branch banks in Maritoba are redeemed there only, and the bills are subject to discount in distant drovinces. For rates of discount see page 56.

## Province of Quebec.



# Prince Edward Island. 

Charlottetown..Queens. .Merchants' Bank of P.E.Island.......\$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20 W. A. Weeks, Pres.; F. Mitchell, Cashier.

Summerside.... Prince...SUMMERSIDE BANK............................. $\$ 1, \$ 2, \$ 5 . \$ 10$. A. MacMillan, Pres.; R. C. McStavert, Cashier.

Rustico........ Queens. $\dagger$ FARMER's Bank of Rustico...................... Jos. Gallant, Pres.; Adrien Doiron, Cashier.
Discounts.-For discount rates in distant provinces see page 56.
The banks in the Province of Prince Edward Island are working undcr their old ohartess, obtained before confederation. These charters give the banks the privilege of issuing bills of smaller deuominations than Five Dollars. The clarter of the Merchants Bank of P. E. I. expires May 1, 1892. The charter of the Summerside Bank expires May 1, 1890.

+ The Farmer's Bank of Rustico (capital about $\$ 8,000$, ) is continued under the Dominion Government until 1891, its circulation is limited and its reliability may be fairly questioned.


## New Brunswick.

Frodericton. York.......People's Bank of N. 13.......... $\$ 1, \$ 2, \$ 5, \$ 10, \$ 20, \$ 50$ A. F. Raudolph, Pres.; J. W. Spurden, Cashicr.

St. John. . .St. John. .... Bank of New Brunswick. ................ $\$ 5, \$ 10, \$ 20$, $\$ 50$. J. D. Lewin, Pres. ; W. Girvan, Cashier:

St. Stephen..Charlotte...St. STEPHEN’s BANE.................... $\$ 1$, $\$ 2, \$ 3, \$ 5,10 .{ }^{2}$ F. H. Todd, Pres. Joln F. Grant, Cashier.

## Nova Scotia.


L. E. Baker, Pres. ; T. W. Johns, Cashicr.
" " Exchange Bank of Yarmouth............... $\$ 5, \$ 10, \$ 20$.
A. C. Robins, Pres. ; Alex. S. Murray, Cashier.

Discounts.-For discount rates in distant provinces see page 56.
Since July 1, 1881, none of the banks in the Provinces of N. B. and N. S. have been privileged by the Canadian Government to issue bills other than $\$ 5$ and their multiples, except the People's Bank, Fredericton, N. B., and the St. Stephen's Bank, St. Stephens, N. B., which are working under their old charters obtained before confederation, and which two charters each expire May 1, 1890.

## British Columbia.

Victoria................. Bank of British Columbia.......... $\$ 5, \$ 10, \$ 20, \$ 50, \$ 100$ W. C. Ward, Manager,
"
Bank of British North America (Branch).
Hills of branch banks in British Columbia are redeemable there only, and are subject to: discount in distant provinces. For rates of of discount see page 56 .

Note.-The banks of British Columbia come under the same restrictions ${ }^{\circ}$ as the banks in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

## Newfoundland.

In Nerofoundland Currency. St. Johns. . St. Johns. . . . Com'l Bane OF Newfoundland.... $\$ 2$ or 10s, $£ 1-\$ 4, £ 5-\$ 20$ H. Cooke, Manager.

Union B. of Newfoundland. $\$ 2-10 \mathrm{~s}, £ 1-\$ 4, £ 5-\$ 20, £ 10-\$ 40$. J. Goldie, Manager.

## Banks Merged into other Banlrs.

City Bank of Canada, Montreal, P. Q., merged into the Cousolidated Bank of Canada, Montreal, Q. C. See banks in liquidation.
Royal Canadian Bank, Montreal, P. Q., merged into the Consolidated Bank of Canada, Montreal, P. Q. See banks in liquidation.
Commercial Bank of Canada, Kingston, Ont., merged into the Merchants' Bank of Montreal, the bills of the former being redeemed by the latter.
Gore Bank of Niagara, Hamilton, Ont., merged into the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto, Ont., the bills of the former being redeemed by the latter.
The Niagara District Bank, St. Catharine's, Ont., merged into the Imperial Bank of Toronto, Ont., the bills of the former being redcemed by the latter.
The St. Lawrence Bank, Toronto, Ont., merged into the Standard Bank of Toronto, Ont., the bills of the former being redeemed by the latter.
Union Bank of Prince Edward Island, Charlestown, P. E. I., merged Oct. 3, 1883, into Bank of Nova Scotia, Halifax, N. S. Bills of former redeemed by latter.

## Banles in Liquidation.

Consolidated Bank of Canada, Montreal, P. Q. Bills will be redeemed at par in Montreal, until about 1890, but all tens are worthless, having been stolen unsigned and signatures forged.
Exchange Bank of Canada, Montreal, P. Q. Suspended Sept. 17, 1883. Bills redeomed at par in Montreal. Brokers are paying $9 \sqrt{5}$ per cent.
Stadacona Bank, Quebec, P. Q.........................Bills redeemed at parin Quebec.

Central Bank of Canada, Toronto, Ont............... " " " " Toronto.
Federal Bank of Canada, Toronto, Ont................
Maritime Bank of the Dom. of Can., St. John, $\stackrel{\text { N.B. }}{\text {. }}$. " " St. John.
Brokers are paying 95 to 99 per cent.

## Banlis in Receiver's Hands or Suspended.

Bank of Upper Canada, Toronto, Ontario, in the hands of the Canadian Government as Receiver. Bills are worth about 70 per cent. in Toronto, Ontario. Final report for settlement and final closing of this bank will probably be soon made, after which the bills will be worthless.
Bank of London in Canada, London, Ont. Suspended Aug. 19, 1887. Bills redeemed at par in London. Brokers are paying about 95 to 98 per cent.

## Failed Banks.

| title of bank. <br> Commercial Bank of New Brunswick | LOCATION. <br> John, N. B. | MEM'M. Failod. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Westmoreland Bank of New Brunswick | Moncton, N. B. |  |
| Charlotte County Bank | St. Andrews, N. B. | " |
| Bank of Acadia, Nova Scotia | Liverpool, N. S. | " |
| Bank of Liverpool |  | " |
| Bank of P. E. I. | Charlottetown,P.E. | " |
| International Bank of Canada | Toronto, Ontario | " |
| Colonial Bank of Canada |  | " |
| Agricultural Bank of Upper Canada | " 6 | " |
| Farmer's Bank | " ${ }^{6}$ | " |
| Bank of Canada | Montreal, P. of Q. | " |
| Mechanics' Bank |  | " |
| Bank of Brantford | Brantford, Ontario | " |
| Bank of Clifton | Clifton, Ontario | " |
| Bank of Western Canada, Clifton, Ont. Bank unknown, but the bills Worthless |  |  |
| Union Bank of Montreal, Montreal, Quebe | " " " | 6 |
| British Canadian Bank, Toronto, Ont. | never in operation |  |

## Closed Banks.

The Metropolitan Bank, Montreal, P.Q., went into liquidation about 1876 and redeemed all of its outstanding notes that were presented before the final closing up of the Bank's business.
The Bank of thePeople, Torouto, Ont., organized about 1835, under the Scotch banking system, by Sir Francis Hincks and Charles Beaty, of Toronto, withdrew from business in a few years, but redeemed all its outstanding notes. The bill plates were deposited with the Montreal Bank, Montreal, P. of Q.
The Provincial Bank of Canada, Stanstead, P. Q., early established under the Free Bank Act, withdrew from business January, 1864, its notes being redeemed and the securities returned by Government.
Zimmerman's Bank, Elgin, Ontario, establishod in 1854 under the Free Bank'Act, becamo the Chartered Bank of Clifton by Act of Parliament in 1858. The notes of the Zimmernan Bank were redeemed and sccurities returned by Government.
Central Bank of New Brunswick, Frederictou, N.B. The bills of the Central Bank are now worthless for the time of redemption expired in January, 1882.
Bank of Princo Edward Island, Charlottetorm, P.E.I. Final closing up April 28, 1887, and final dividend paid; hence, any bills now outstanding are worthless

##  ONES.

## DOMINION OF CANADA.

1 Portrait of Jacques Cartier. Red numbers. Letter D. Dated Ottawa, July 1st, 1870. "Payable at Toronto" on the baek. In the counterfeits in the vignette-portrait in the upper left end of note there is a white streak running from the ear to the ehin, and defining the line of the jaw-bone. There are three issues of these counterfeit bills, the difference being principally in the size of the red figures, but in no instance are the figures exaetly like those used on the genuine bills. The lathe-work around the " 1 " on the right face of the bill is bad when examined under the glass, while the large green " 1 's" on the face are more blurred than on the genuine.
1 Portrait of Lady Dufferin. Letter A. Payable at Montreal. Dated 1st June, 1878. A very poor counterfeit on very soft paper and numbers in green. A later issue of the counterfeit is on stiff white paper. No part of the note will bear close inspeetion. Vignette portrait and all lathe-work very coarse work. On the left end, face of bill, the circle of lathe-work surrounding the large " 1 " has ouly alternate small squares of light and dark, the light squares being finely speckled.
BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA, St. John, N. B.
$\boldsymbol{x}$ Lithograph, old. "New Brunswiek" aeross end of bill.
bANK OF MONTREAL, Montreal, P. Q.
1 Old counterfeit. Right upper corner, 1 on ships under full sail. Left upper eorner, two Indians and shiold.
BANK OF TORONTO, Toronto, Ont.
1 Vignette: Lumberman axe and log.
UNION BANK OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, Charlottetown, P. E. I.
1 Dated 1st January, 1872. Photograph poorly done. No. 30252. Green letters in ONE and red letters in "Canada Curreney" are very badly printed or painted on the face. Easily deteeted beeause of its faded appearance.

None of the above banks now issue $\$ 1$ bills.

## TWOS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.
2 Portrait of Lord Dufferin. Letter B. Blue numbers. Payable at Montreal. Dated June 1st, 1878. Very dangerous counterfeits, and both the face and baek of notes are good. Portrait of Lord Dufferin, a good imitation of that on the genuine note, though the forchead appears a little too broad or full. Paper fair but a little harsh and yellowish. Color of blue numbers as good as genuine, but part of them are not of the true shape.

On the face of bills the imitation lathe-work in the large green figures $\boldsymbol{2}$ is poor, and in the lower half of each of these figures 2 there are on the genuine bills four upright zigzag lines, formed by the peculiar shape or joining of the fine lathe-work lines; but on the counterfeit notes these four engraved zig-zag lines are very prominent, and the two centre ones do not touch one anothor as on the genuine bills. In the imprint "British American Bank Note Co., Montreal," the dots over the " i 's" are omitted, and the letters different and unequally spaced, the e and r in American being widely separated.
2 Dufferin Issue. Letter C. Red numbers. Payable at Toronto. Dated June 1st, 1878, whieh date in some cases has been changed. Same defects as mentioned in the above paragraph. A dangerous counterfeit, excepting the poor centre vignette of Lord Dufferin, and the imitation lathe-work in those large green 2's. Most all the other work on the bill is about as good as some genuine. Vignette portrait coarse, expression of the face unlike the genuine, eyes and nose poor, and lower lobe of the ear, in width up and down, is far too narrow. When the vignette of Lord Dufferin is worn this note is very dangerous. Paper fair, but in some cases very good. The color of the red numbers on some of these notes is very bad and on others quite fair.
bank of Montreal, Montreal, Quebec.
2 Vignette: View of Niagara Falls, railears and bridge.
2 Ottawa Branch. Dated Mareh 1, 1852. Ottawa printed in red across the bill : cnarse engraving.

BANK OF TORONTO, Toronto, Ont.
2 Vignette: Shield, Lion and Unicorn.
QUEBEC BANK.
2 Toronto, Ont., Branch. Old issue, dated 1860. Issues of this bank after 1863 had green backs.
UNION BANK OF PRINCE EDIVARD ISLAND, Charlottetown, P. E. I.
2 Plate A, dated 1st Jan'y, 1872, and numbered differently in blue or green ink. Photograph, old issuc. Large letters in TWO are badly printed or painted in green or blue inks on the face, which is the ease with the red letters in "Canada Currency."
2 New Issue. Letter A. Dated Mareh 1st, 1875. Coarse engraving, similar to an inferior wood cut. Fully one-quarter inch shorter than the genuine bills. "British American Bank Note Co., Montreal," is entirely omitted in the center portion of the bottom border. The line "Dominion of Canada" over vignette-engraving of dog and safe is without any shading, which is also the ease with the lines "of Prinee Edward Island" and "on demand" beneath. Back of note bad, and unlike genuine. Lathe-work patterns very coarse. Title of bank very poor.

None of the above banks now issue $\$ 2$ bills.

## FOURS.

BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.
4 St. John Branch, N. B. Old issue.
Photograph and very pale. They are all supposed to be numbered 74981. CITY BANK, Montreal, P. Q.

4 Vignette-Vulean, anvil, ete. Right end, woman, lion and unicorn. Left eud, lion, ete.
DOMINION BANK, Toronto, Ont.
4 Old issue. Dated Feb. 1st, 1871. Letter B. Lathe-work around "4" is defective on elose inspection, and has a fine white line running round inside of the black border line, which is not in the genuine bills. There is also a white line around the hair portion of Prince Arthur's head, which serves to separate it from the back-ground. Cashier's signature, W. H. Holland, Jr., is engraved, while on the genuine bills it is written.
4 Bank of Upper Canada, altered from 4 of Bank of Western Canada.
4 laised from 1. New Government Issue, with vignette-portrait of Lady Dufterin in the center. Very badly done, but calculated to deceive.

## FIVES.

BaNk of british NORTH AMERICA, Montreal, P. Q.
5 Old issue. Letter D. General appearance good, but quality of the work will not bear elose inspection. Lathe-work prescuts a coarse appearance. "British American Bank Note Co., Montreal," badly done, many of the letters are irregular, poorly spaced and varying in size. Engravings on face of counterfeit are all coarsely engraved and defeetive. On lower left end Britannia seated has her right hand resting upon a shield, the lower rim of which is well defined by a clear white line on the counterfeit. which does not appear on genuine bill. The day of the date of July, 1877, is omitted on the first issue of counterfeits, but often supplied with pen and ink. Later issues, however, have " 5 th" inserted and printed.
5 Kingston Branch. Very old issue. Dated 1st May, 1875. Genuine notes of this date are numbered from 30000 to 36000 inclusive, while the counterfeits, so far as detected, have all been numbered between 20000 and 30000 . Lathe-work in small cireular design on each side of the " 5 "s is defective under inspection with the glass. There is no shading about the oval designs in the border, while in the genuine there is. It is positively asserted that half a million dollars' worth of these notes were issued and mostly circulated in the fur regions of Upper Canada, many of them being used in the purchase of peltries. The genuine bills of this issuo are nearly all withdrawn from circulation.
5 Quebec Branch. Very old issue. Photograph very pale. FIVE in large letters aeross the centre of green-tinted design of lathe-work is badiy printed thereon in green ink. They are all supposed to be numbered 44490. Datod 22nd Nov., 1871.

BANK OF MONTREAL, Montreal, Que.
5 Tiventy-five Shillings. Old Plate. Refuse all bills of this kind.
5 Old counterfeit. Vignette in upper right corner, stoamer; left end, cattle; 5 in centre of lower right comer.
BANK OF NOVA SCOTLA, Halifax, N. S.
-5 Dated Halifax, N. S., July 5, 1877. Letter B 126304. Vcry rougli pen TEnt and brush work. Not dangerous.
BANK OF TORONTO.
5 Port Hope (Branch) issuc. Photorraph. Check letter E; dated July 1st, 1880 ; number 45831, and by changing the figure 1 to 4 some have number 45834. The color is a purple-brown. Date is very indistinct, as well as the counters and vignettes, which have a dim appearance, usual in photograplis. The grecn FIVE across lower conter face of bill is painted over with a green watcr color. The figures in the numbers arc painted in red water color, and the letters in PORT HOPE across each end are also painted in blue ink, sigued Wm. Gooderham, President.
5 Peterborough (Branch) issue. Plotographs. Only about twenty of these notes were made, numbers on all 29356. Easily detected on account of their brownish tint.
CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE, Toronto, Ont.
5 Old issue. Letter C. Dated May 1st, 1871. Signature of E. J. Smith, Cashier, is heavily printed, while on the genuinc it is written. In the oval portrait in the center the Queen's face is turned more to the front than in the genuine, thus showing the whole of her left eye and a portion of the temple beyond very distinctly, while in the genuine the farther corner of her left eye is scarcely secn, her face being more in profile than in the counterfeit. On the Queen's right hand the ring on her finger is very indistinct, while in the genuine it is very plainly seen. The general engraving of the portrait is coarse and much inferior to that on the genuine bills.
MARITIME BANK, St. John, N. B.
5 Rough pen and brush work.
UNION BANK OF PRINCE ED WARD ISLAND, Charlottetown, P.E.I.
5 Photograph poorly donc. Plate A. Easily detected by the brownish faded appearance.

## TENS.

BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.
10 Ottawa Branch, Ottawa, Unt. Photograph, and very poor. Numbered 16279, which is most probably the case with the whole of them. The printing of "Ottawa" ou each corncr is poorly done.
CITY BANK OF MONTREAL, Montreal, P. Q.
10 Vignctte-British Coat of Arms Left end, male bust. Parliament spelt "Parliment."
CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE, Toronto, Ont.
10 Dated May 1st, 1871. Letter D. These very dangerous counterfeits have "capital $\$ 6,000,000$," and are signed W. Cooke, cashier. Under all the letters of the words TEN DOLLARS are five black parallel lines of shading ; on the genuine notes there are only four such lines. The lion's face has also on the counterfeit note more of a scared or startled expression, and his right ear is not so prominent and pointed. Lathe-work but little defective; in both counters 10, especially when viewed with a glass, parts of it lack the unbroken and continuous lines of the genuine. The green color on the back of this issue of notes is too light, and the blue numbers on the face of note are also a little light in color. Notes well printed on good paper and very dangerous.
CONSOLIDATED BANK OF CANADA, Montreal, P. Q.
10 Stolen. All Tens are worthless, the bills having been stolen unsigned and signatures forged, they are usually signed W. Irwin as Cashier. Bank in liquidation.
LA BANQUE NATIONALE, Quebec, P. Q.
10 The several specimens seen bear the check letter A. The counterfeit vignettes all very coarsely done, as are the large 10's and the counters in both upper corners. The lettering is much better and deceptive. In the genuine bills the P in "Prest" comes directly over the D in DIX in the bottom border, while in the counterfeits the P comes over the IX.
MARITIME BANK, S't. John, New Brunswick.
10 Dated St. John, New Brunswick, Oct. 5, 1881. Letter A; numbered 00737. Very rough pen and brush work. Not dangerous.

MERCHANTS' BANK OF CANADA, Montreal, P. Q.
10 Photograph. Letter D. Number 83993 . Capital $\$ 6,000,00000$. The greéu tint on the face and back of note is rubbed on over the purple photographie tints with an oil green crayon pencil, which gives the green a yellowish tone and the work a blurred appearance. Only one of these notes have been seen so far, and the negatives are eaptured and destroyed.
MERCHANTS' BANK OF HALIFAX, Halifax, N. S.
10 Dated 1st January, 1874. Photograph and Lithograph combined. Purplish tint in the photographie part, the 10-TEN-10 being done in red and green ink by lithography, and badly blurred. The vignette of ship under sail is very coarsely done, while in the genuine it is very fine and distingt. The back is badly lithographed, but the genuine backs are so badly colored but they quiekly fade, and become worn and indistinct. It is not belleved that many of these counterfeits.ever got into circulation.
10 Old issue. Dated 1st January, 1874. A counterfeit of engraved and lithograph work, havingt : blurred and dark look. The words "Cash'r" and "Pres't,"," and the name of bank note printers, "Blades, East \& Blandes, London," are all omitted. The back of note is also lithographed, and printed in a yellow-red shade of ink.
ONTARIO BANK.
10 Old Issue. Letter A. Dated Bowmanville, Nov. 1st, 1870. In the lathe-work designs in each upper corner of note there appears a fine white line just inside of the black border line which is not visible in the genuine bills. The foliage in the engraving of the woodsman chopping down the tree is indistinctly worked up, being rather blurred in its details. In the genuine bill the woodsman has a very neat moustache on his upper lip, while in the counterfeit there is simply a black mark defining his mouth, having: no visible moustache above it. There are two issues of these counterfeits, on some of which the imprint of the "British Ameriean Bank Note Company, Montreal and Ottawa" does not appear underneath the green-printedt design on the backs. Best decline all on the " $A$ " plate.
PEOPLE'S BANK OF NEW BRUNSWICK, Fredericton, N. B.
10 Photograph poorly done. Plate A. Easily detected by its browniskiz faded appearance.
10 raised from I. New Government Issue. Vignette-Lady Dufferin. Note seraped with a knife and the alterations of the figures and large eharacters are done with pen and ink, the border and other parts of note made indistinct by ink lines seattered over. There are no genuine $\$ 10$ Dominion notes.

10 raised from 4 CANADIAN BANK OF COMIMERCE, Toronto, Ont. The alterations are made with pen and ink, being very neatly done and well calculated to deceive those who are careless in handling money. The borders of the genuine Fours and Tens are totally different.

10 raised from 5 CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE, Toronto, $r$ New Issue. The green ink " $V$ ", s on the face of the note to the left and rightr Int: President's portrait are not wholly removed. The altered parts are done of the "bugging" process, which shows very plainly upon holding the bill up to t' by the The border and baek designs of these Fives are totally different from genu ae light

10 raised from 5 IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA, Toronto, $C$ ne Tens.
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## COUNTERFEITS.

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$\boldsymbol{5} 50$ Notes-Bank of England-dated " 1883, 1 " ${ }^{3}{ }^{3}$ before the numbers. Very dangerous eouv water-mark pattorns more indistinet, and tr the genuine notes. Blue or red words or and heuce variable.
$\boldsymbol{E} 100$ and $\boldsymbol{E} 500$ Notes, eaeh dater to be dangerously counterfeited, as. wf

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| Washington． | Series of 1875 | 1）＊ |

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Series of 1880 I）＊

## $\$ 5$.



## $\$ 10$.



## $\$ 20$.

| Liberty． | ＋Mar．10， 1862 | A B C |
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|  | Mar．10， 1862 | A $13 \mathrm{C} D$ |
|  | Mar．10， 1863 | A |
|  | ＋Mar．10， 1863 | A |
| Hamilton． | Series of 1875 | $\mathrm{A}^{*} \mathrm{~B}^{*}\left(\mathrm{C}^{*} \mathrm{D}^{*}\right.$ |
|  | Series of 1878 | $A^{*} \mathrm{~B}^{*} \mathrm{C}^{*} \mathrm{D}^{*}$ |
| ＂ | Series of 1880 | $\Lambda^{*}\left[3^{*} 1^{*} 1\right)^{*}$ |
|  | $850$ |  |

Hamilton．†Mar．10，1862


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| Bank of Toronto. | Toronto, Ont |  |  |
| Union Bank of | Charlottetowu, P. E. I. |  |  |

2 Dominion of Canada...Dufferin Issue. Montreal backs. Letter B.... Dangerous " " " " Toronto backs. " C.


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## BANKS FAILED, CLOSED, MERGED, in LIQUIDATIO N\& in RECEIVER'S HANDS

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St. John, Commercial Bk of N.B...
Maritime Bank. In Liq.
NOVA SCOTLA.
Liverpool, Ba:nk of Acadia, N.S...Failed Liverpool, Bank of Liverpool Pictou, Pictou Bank.
$\qquad$ ONTARIO.
Brantford Bank of Brantford $\qquad$ .Failed Clifton, Bank of Clifton Bk. of Western Can.....Swindle Elgin, Zimmerman's l3ank...... Closed Hamilton, Gore 13k of Niagara....Merged Kingston, Commercial 13k of Can.
London, Bank of London...Suspended St. Cath., Niagara I is. Bk.......... Merged Toronto, Agri. Bk of Up. Can.......Failed Quebec, Stadacona Bank..........In Liq. Bank of the People........Closed Stanstead, Provinciai Bk of Can...Closed Bk of Upper Can.........In R. H


[^0]:    * Kupce calculated at coining rate, $£ 0.4737$. + Silver florin calculated at coining ratc, $\$ 0.482$. $\ddagger$ Silver ruble calculated at coinlng rate, $\$ 0.7718$. § Fiscal year 1889.

